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AND

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FIFTY-FOURTH

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

State of New-Jersey,

AT A SESSION BEGUN AT TRENTON, ON THE TWENTY-SEVENTH DAY OF OCTOBER, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND TWENTY-NINE.

BEING THE FIRST SITTING.

TRENTON:

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LIST OF MEMBERS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Bergen,—*The Honorable*	Nathaniel Board.
Essex,	Amzi Dodd.
Morris,	Edward Condict.
Sussex,	David Ryerson.
Warren,	Jonathan Robbins.
Hunterdon,	George Maxwell.
Somerset,	Andrew Howell.
Middlesex,	James Cook.
Monmouth,	William I. Emley.
Burlington,	William N. Shinn.
Gloucester,	Joseph Kaighn.
Salem,	Philip Freas.
Cumberland,	Elias P. Seeley.
Cape May,	Israel Townsend.

LIST OF MEMBERS

OF THE

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

BERGEN.

Cornelius Van Winkle, John Ward, and Andrew P. Hopper.

SUSSEX.

Peter Merkle and James Evans.

ESSEX.

Joseph C. Hornblower, John J. Chetwood, John Vail, and Luther Little.

MORRIS.

William Monro, John Hancock, Joseph Jackson, and Charles Hillard.

WARREN.

Daniel Vliet and Jacob Summers.

HUNTERDON.

Isaac G. Farlee, Alexander Wurts, Stacy G. Potts, and Gabriel Hoff.

SOMERSET.

Peter D. Vroom, jr. James S. Nevius, and Ferdinand S. Schenck.

MIDDLESEX.

Littleton Kirkpatrick, Abraham Cruser, and Josiah B. Howell.

MONMOUTH.

Daniel H. Ellis, James West, Augustus W. Bennett, and Ivins Davis.

BURLINGTON.

Joshua S. Earl, Samuel Black, John Warren, and Charles M. Wells.

GLOUCESTER.

John W. Mickle, Isaac Hinchman, and Japhet Ireland.

SALEM.

William N. Jeffers, Jacob Wick, and David Hurley.

CUMBERLAND.

Nathaniel Foster, Philip Fithian, and Michael Swing.

CAPE MAY.

Joshua Townsend.

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

TRENTON, October 27, 1829.

THIS being the time and place appointed by law for the annual meeting of the General Assembly of this state, the following members elect, viz.: Cornelius Van Winkle, John Ward, and Andrew P. Hopper, of Bergen; Peter Merkle and James Evans of Sussex; Joseph C. Hornblower, John J. Chetwood, John Vail, and Luther Little, of Essex; William Monro, John Hancock, Joseph Jackson, and Charles Hillard, of Morris; Daniel Vliet and Jacob Summers, of Warren; Isaac G. Farlee, Alexander Wurts, and Gabriel Hoff, of Hunterdon; Peter D. Vroom, jr., James S. Nevius, and Ferdinand S. Schenck, of Somerset; Littleton Kirkpatrick, Abraham Cruser, and Josiah B. Howell, of Middlesex; Daniel H. Ellis, James West, Augustus W. Bennett, and Ivins Davis, of Monmouth; Joshua S. Earl, Samuel Black, John Warren, and Charles M. Wells, of Burlington; John W. Mickle, Isaac Hinchman, and Japhet Ireland, of Gloucester; William N. Jeffers, Jacob Wick, and David Hurley, of Salem; Nathaniel Foster, Philip Fithian, and Michael Swing, of Cumberland; and Joshua Townsend of Cape May; appeared in the House and respectively produced their certificates of election, which being read and approved, William N. Jeffers, esq., was appointed, agreeably to the constitution, to qualify Alexander Wurts, esq., who, being duly sworn, took his seat, and the remaining members present being qualified by the said Alexander Wurts, esq., took their seats in the House.

The members proceeded to the choice of a speaker, when Alexander Wurts, esq., was chosen unanimously, and took the chair accordingly.

The House then proceeded to ballot for the choice of a clerk, when Borden M. Voorhees and David Johnston were nominated, and on the votes being counted were found to be as follows, viz.:

For Borden M. Voorhees 29.
For David Johnston 13.

Whereupon, Borden M. Voorhees was declared to be duly elected clerk of the House, was qualified and took his seat at the table.

On motion of Mr. Foster, of Cumberland, the House was opened by prayer, which duty was performed by the Rev. Mr. Hancock, a member from Morris.

The House then proceeded to the appointment of a door keeper, when Samuel B. Scattergood and William Gould were nominated, and on the House being called, the votes were as follows, viz.:

For Samuel B. Scattergood.

Messrs. Bennett, Cruser, Davis, Earl, Ellis, Evans, Farlee, Hillard, Hinchman, Hopper, Howell, Hurley, Ireland, Jackson, Jeffers, Kirkpatrick, Little, Merkle, Mickle, Monro, Schenck, Summers, Vail, Vliet, Vroom, Warren, Wells, West, Wick, Wurts, speaker—30.

For William Gould.

Messrs. Black, Chetwood, Fithian, Foster, Hancock, Hoff, Hornblower, Nevius, Swing, Townsend, Van Winkle, Ward—12.

Whereupon it appearing that Samuel B. Scattergood, having a majority of the votes of the members present, he was declared to be duly appointed door-keeper.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council, that the House of Assembly have this day met, formed a quorum, and elected Alexander Wurts, esq., their speaker, and Borden M. Voorhees, clerk, and have proceeded to business.

Ordered, That Messrs. Hillard, Jeffers, and Foster, be a committee to report rules and regulations for the government of the House.

Ordered, That Messrs. Farlee, Nevius, and West, be a committee to report the unfinished business of the last session.

Mr. Farlee, presented a memorial from Stacy G. Potts, in relation to alleged inaccuracies in the return of the votes for members of

Assembly for the county of Hunterdon, praying that he may be allowed to take his seat as a member from said county ;

Which memorial, with the documents accompanying the same, was referred to Messrs. Farlee, Vroom, and Hornblower.

Mr. Hornblower, presented a memorial from Isaac S. Miller, of Essex, contesting the right of John Vail to a seat in this House as a representative of the said county, and praying that the same be vacated, and that he the said memorialist be allowed to take his seat as a member of the county of Essex ;

Which memorial, with the documents accompanying the same, was referred to Messrs. Jeffers, Jackson, Earl, Nevius, and Townsend.

A message from Council by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that the Council have this day met, formed a quorum, chosen Edward Condict Vice President, elected James D. Westcott secretary, and have proceeded to business.

House adjourned to Wednesday 28th, ten o'clock, A. M.

WEDNESDAY, 28th October, 1829.

Ten o'clock A. M. the House met.

Mr. Earl, presented an abstract of ratables in the county of Burlington, and Mr. Hornblower of Essex, Mr. Monro of Morris, Mr. Hopper of Bergen, and Mr. Wick of Salem, severally presented similar abstracts from their respective counties.

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Hornblower, presented a memorial from the board of chosen freeholders of the county of Essex, relative to the maintenance of indigent persons imprisoned for debt ;

Read and committed to Messrs. Hornblower, Hancock, and Ellis.

Ordered, That the memorial from the board of chosen freeholders of Essex, be laid on the tables of the members of this House.

Mr. Foster, presented a petition from the inhabitants of the counties of Cumberland and Cape May, for building a bridge over West Creek ;

Read and committed to Messrs. Foster, Townsend and Ireland.

Mr. Hillard, from the committee on that subject, reported eighteen items of rules and regulations for the government of the House ;

Which were read and adopted, and 100 copies of the same ordered to be printed.

Mr. Farlee, from the committee to whom was referred the memorial of Stacy G. Potts, reported in favour of the same ;

Which report was read and agreed to by the House.

Ordered, That Mr. Farlee inform Mr. Potts of the decision of the House.

Stacy G. Potts, a representative of the county of Hunterdon, appeared, was qualified, and took his seat.

The Speaker presented a communication from Samuel Evans; Read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Chetwood, presented a report from the board of trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Ordered, That Messrs. Jackson, Jeffers, Hornblower, Black, and Schenck, be a committee to settle the accounts of the Treasurer.

Ordered, That Messrs. Vroom, Hillard, Hinchman, Kirkpatrick, and Hoff, be a committee to settle the accounts of the state prison.

Ordered, That Messrs. Earl, Monro, and Van Winkle, be a committee to prepare a support bill.

Ordered, That Messrs. Mickle, Howell, and Foster, be a committee to prepare and report an incidental bill.

Ordered, That Messrs. Farlee, West, and Ward, be a committee to bring in a tax bill.

Ordered, That Messrs. Potts, Wells, and Chetwood, be a committee to receive proposals, for the current printing of the session, and for the printing of the laws, law reports, and votes and proceedings of the present legislature.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council of the appointment of the two first named committees, and request Council, on their part, to appoint corresponding committees.

Mr. Vroom presented the following resolution:

Resolved, By the Council and General Assembly of this state, that the Vice President of Council, and speaker of the House of Assembly, be appointed to receive proposals for engrossing the bills ordered to be engrossed by either branch of the legislature during the present session:

Adopted, and the same ordered to be sent to Council for concurrence.

House adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Earl, with leave, presented a bill entitled "An Act to amend the Judicial System of this State."

Read and committed to Messrs. Earl, Vroom, and Howell.

Mr. Farlee, from the committee appointed to bring forward the unfinished business of the last session, reported the following items, viz.:

1. An act to dissolve the marriage contract of Samuel Williams and wife.

2. An act to regulate wagons, and other wheel carriages, in the state of New-Jersey.

3. An act to incorporate a company to create water power at the city of Trenton, and its vicinity, and for other purposes.

4. An act to encourage the breed of horses.

5. An act to incorporate the South Amboy Oyster Company.

6. An act to amend the Judicial System of this state.

7. An act to incorporate the Woodstown Fire Engine Company, of Salem county.

8. An act to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson river Rail Road Company.

9. An act to erect parts of the counties of Essex, Bergen, and Morris, into a new county, to be called the county of Paterson.

10. An act to set off parts of the counties of Monmouth and Burlington, into a new county to be called Atlantic.

11. A further supplement to the act entitled "An act for the better relief and employment of the poor in the county of Salem," passed March 12, 1796.

12. An additional supplement to the act entitled, "An act to incorporate the Orange and Sussex Canal Company," passed the 10th of December, 1823.

13. An act to repeal an act passed 21st of January 1829, entitled "An act to repeal the act entitled an act to drain the drowned lands in the county of Sussex," passed the 28th day of November 1806, and the supplements thereto, passed the 25th day of November 1809, and to revive the acts so repealed.

14. A further supplement to the act entitled "An act making lands liable to be sold for the payment of debts," passed the 18th of February 1779.

15. Report of committee on the subject of John Denn's canal in the county of Salem.

16. Report on the petition to drain the great meadows in the county of Warren.

17. Report of the committee on application for a new county to be called Washington.

18. Report of committee on the subject of a new county, to be set off from parts of Essex, Somerset, and Middlesex.

19. Report of committee on the subject of setting off a new township from the township of Newton, in the county of Gloucester, to be called the township of Camden.

20. Report concerning public wharf or dock at Red Bank in Monmouth county.

21. Report of the committee on the memorial of certain citizens of the county of Hunterdon, complaining of the official conduct of Henry Miller, esq. a justice of the peace of said county;

Which report was read and ordered to lie on the table, and to be printed.

Mr. Potts offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly is ready to go into a joint-meeting for the purpose of appointing a governor, and clerks for the counties of Essex, Warren, Hunterdon, and Salem, and judges, justices, &c. in the several counties.

Read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Hornblower offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a due regard to public economy, and the despatch of public business renders it inexpedient to have an adjourned session of the legislature;

Read and ordered to lie on the table.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House that Council have appointed on their part, Messrs. Howell and Dodd, a committee to settle the accounts of the state prison; and Messrs. Maxwell and Seeley to settle the accounts of the treasurer; and that Council had also agreed to the joint resolution, passed by the House of Assembly, authorizing the Vice-President of Council, and the Speaker of the House of Assembly to receive proposals for engrossing the bills, ordered to be engrossed by either branch of the legislature during the present session.

Mr. Foster, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled an act to build a bridge over West Creek in the counties of Cumberland and Cape May;

Read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock, A. M. Thursday.

THURSDAY, October 29, 1829.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Farlee, presented an abstract of ratables from the county of Hunterdon.

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Hancock, presented a petition from the heirs of Elizabeth Dunham.

Ordered, to lie on the table.

Mr. Hornblower presented a petition from Phebe Marks, for a divorce from her husband Joseph Marks;

Read, and committed to Messrs. Hornblower, Hopper, and Swing.

Mr. Jackson, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Pequanonk, relative to ditching and draining Pine Swamp, in the county of Morris;

Read and committed to Messrs. Jackson, Evans, and Fithian.

Mr. Townsend, presented an abstract of ratables from Cape May.

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Potts, from the committee to whom was referred the subject of the printing, made the following report:

That the committee have consulted on the subject, and being of opinion that it will most conduce to economy, and the punctual and faithful execution of the printing of the legislature, that a suitable person should be selected for that purpose, in joint-meeting, who should be required to give bond for the faithful execution of the

said printing, beg leave to recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, By the Legislative Council and General Assembly, that a suitable person be appointed at the next joint-meeting, to print the votes and proceedings of the House, the journals of Council, the laws and law reports, and bills; and that the person so appointed be required to give bond to the treasurer of this state, in such sum, and with such security, as the said treasurer shall deem proper for the faithful execution of the said printing.

By order of the committee.

STACY G. POTTS, *Chairman.*

Which report and resolution was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The speaker communicated to the House, that the Vice-President and himself, in pursuance of the joint resolution for that purpose, had received and considered the several proposals for engrossing the bills ordered to be engrossed by either House during the present session, and recommend Samuel G. Opdycke, esq., as a fit and proper person for the office of engrossing clerk for the two Houses at the same rate or price per folio, as was paid for engrossing at the last session of the legislature.

Whereupon, and in accordance with the recommendation of the Vice-President and Speaker,

Mr. Vroom offered the following resolution:

Resolved, By the Legislative Council and General Assembly of this state, that Samuel G. Opdycke, be appointed engrossing clerk for the ensuing session.

Adopted and sent to Council for concurrence.

Mr. Summers, presented the abstract of ratables from the county of Warren.

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Hornblower called up the resolution relative to an adjourned session;

Read and withdrawn.

Mr. Jackson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House will hold an adjourned session;

Read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Jeffers, from the committee to whom was referred the memorial of Isaac S. Miller of the county of Essex, praying that the seat of John Vail, esq, a member of this House may be vacated, and that the memorialist may be admitted to a seat in this House as a member from the county of Essex; made the following report:

That it appears from a certified copy of the returns of the late election in the county of Essex, that the memorialist received fifteen hundred and thirty-four votes, and from the documents submitted to the committee, a majority thereof are of opinion that the said Isaac S. Miller, ought to have counted for him, three votes rejected by the inspectors of the election for the township of Newark, making for the said Isaac S. Miller, fifteen hundred and thirty-seven votes. It also

appears by the certificate of the said clerk, that John Vail, esq., received fifteen hundred and thirty-six votes, and from the documents submitted to the committee, a majority thereof, are of opinion, that the said John Vail, ought to have counted for him one vote, rejected by the inspectors of the township of Aquackanonk, making for the said John Vail, fifteen hundred and thirty-seven votes, and producing an equality of votes between the said Isaac S. Miller and the said John Vail.

The committee, therefore, submit the following resolution:

Resolved, That neither the said Isaac S. Miller, or the said John Vail, have a plurality of votes.

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of the committee.

W. N. JEFFERS, *Chairman.*

Which report was read and ordered to lie on the table.

House adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

The resolution relative to the joint-meeting was called up, which after being amended, was adopted and ordered to be sent to Council for concurrence.

The report of the committee, relative to the memorial of Isaac S. Miller, together with documents in relation thereto, was called up, and being read, it was ordered that the memorialist have leave to withdraw the affidavits of illegal votes, and that the further consideration of the subject be postponed.

The bill entitled "An act to build a bridge over West Creek, in the counties of Cumberland and Cape May," was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House, that Council will be ready to go into a joint-meeting for the purpose of appointing a governor, clerks of counties, prosecutors of the pleas, judges, justices, and such other officers as may be necessary, to morrow afternoon, at three o'clock in the Assembly room.

Ordered, That the House proceed to make nominations for joint-meeting, and that a duplicate list of the same be sent to Council.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to morrow morning.

FRIDAY, Oct. 30, 1829.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Evans, presented an abstract of ratables from the county of Sussex.

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Cruser, presented the petition of Rebecca Mesler, praying for a divorce from her husband William Mesler ;

Read and committed to Mess. Cruser, Vliet, and Davis.

Mr. Hillard, presented the petition of Daniel Skillenger, praying to be divorced from his wife Phebe Skillinger ;

Read and committed to Mess. Hillard, West and Earl.

Mr. Hornblower. from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled " An act to divorce Phebe Marks from her husband Joseph Marks;"

Read and ordered a second reading; printing dispensed with.

Mr. Hornblower, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill, entitled " An act relating to persons in actual confinement for debt in certain cases;"

Read and ordered to a second reading, and to be printed.

The report of the committee, in relation to the memorial of Isaac S. Miller, contesting the right of John Vail, esq., to a seat in this House, was called up, and upon the question, shall the report of the committee be accepted, it was decided in the negative, as follows :

YEAS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Hurley,
	Black,		Jackson,
	Chetwood,		Nevius,
	Davis,		Swing,
	Earl,		Townsend,
	Fithian,		Van Winkle,
	Foster,		Ward,
	Hornblower,		Wick,—16.

NAYS,

Messrs.	Cruser,	Messrs.	Merkle,
	Ellis,		Mickle,
	Evans,		Munro,
	Farlee,		Potts,
	Hancock,		Schenck,
	Hillard,		Summers,
	Hinchman,		Vliet,
	Hopper,		Vroom,
	Howell,		Warren,
	Ireland,		Wells,
	Jeffers,		West,
	Kirkpatrick,		Wurts, speaker--25
	Little,		

Whereupon it was ordered that the memorialist have leave to withdraw the papers in relation thereto.

On motion of Mr. Hornblower, it was

Ordered, That Mr. Vail be informed of the decision of the House and be requested to resume his seat.

A message from Council by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House, that Council have agreed to the joint resolution appointing Samuel G. Opdycke, engrossing clerk for the ensuing session.

The resolution relative to an adjourned session, was called up, and on the question, shall the resolution be adopted, was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Kirkpatrick,
	Cruser,		Merkle,
	Earl,		Mickle,
	Ellis,		Nevius,
	Evans,		Schenck,
	Fithian,		Swing,
	Hinchman,		Townsend,
	Hopper,		Vroom,
	Hurley,		Warren,
	Ireland,		Wells—20.

NAYS.

Messrs.	Black,	Messrs.	Jeffers,
	Chetwood,		Little,
	Davis,		Monro,
	Farlee,		Potts,
	Foster,		Summers,
	Hancock,		Vliet,
	Hillard,		Van Winkle,
	Hoff,		Ward,
	Hornblower,		West,
	Howell,		Wick,
	Jackson,		Wurts, Speaker—22.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to build a bridge over West Creek, in the counties of Cumberland and Cape May,"

Was called up, read a third time and compared;

And on the question shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, without a dissenting voice.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

House adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Hillard, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to dissolve the marriage contract between Daniel Skillenger and Phebe his wife.

Read and ordered a second reading.

Ordered, That the printing of the same be dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Potts,

Ordered, That the resolution relative to an adjourned session be reconsidered;

And on the question, shall the resolution be adopted?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Kirkpatrick,
Cruser,	Merkle,
Ellis,	Mickle,
Evans,	Nevius,
Fithian,	Schenck,
Hinchman,	Swing,
Hopper,	Townsend,
Hurley,	Vail,
Ireland,	Vroom,
Jackson,	Warren,
Jeffers,	Wells—22.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Howell,
Chetwood,	Little,
Davis,	Monro,
Earl,	Potts,
Farlee,	Summers,
Foster,	Vliet,
Hancock,	Van Winkle,
Hillard,	Ward,
Hoff,	Wick,
Hornblower,	Wurts, speaker—20.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council, that the House is ready to go into joint-meeting.

The Council came into the Assembly room, the two Houses went into a joint-meeting; and after going through their appointments, the joint-meeting rose, the speaker resumed the chair, and the House came to order.

Ordered, That when the House adjourns, they do adjourn until Monday 2d November next, at ten o'clock, A. M.

House adjourned to ten o'clock on Monday morning, November 2d.

MONDAY, November 2, 1829.

Ten o'clock the House met.

The unfinished business of the last session, was called up and disposed of as follows:

No. 1. An act to dissolve the marriage contract of Samuel Williams and wife,

Ordered to lie on the table.

No. 2. An act to regulate wagons, and other wheel carriages, in the State of New-Jersey,

Ordered to lie on the table.

No. 3. An act to incorporate a company to create water power at the city of Trenton and its vicinity, and for other purposes;

Committed to Messrs. Potts, Little and Foster.

No. 4. An act to encourage the breed of horses;

Committed to Messrs. Ellis, Summers and Wick.

No. 5. An act to incorporate the South Amboy Oyster Company;

Dismissed.

No. 6. An act to amend the Judicial System of this state;

Committed to Messrs. Earl, Vroom and Howell.

No. 7. An act to incorporate the Woodstown Fire Engine company of Salem county;

Laid on the table.

No. 8. An act to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson River Rail Road company;

Committed to Messrs. Vail, Bennett and Ward.

No. 9. An act to erect parts of the counties of Essex, Bergen, and Morris, into a new county, to be called the county of Paterson;

Laid on the table.

No. 10. An act to set off parts of the counties of Monmouth and Burlington, into a new county, to be called Atlantic;

Committed to Messrs. Davis, Merkle and Warren.

No. 11. A further supplement to the act entitled "An act for the better relief and employment of the poor in the county of Salem," passed March 12th, 1796;

Committed to Messrs. Wick, Hinchman and Swing.

No. 12. An additional supplement to the act entitled "An act to incorporate the Orange and Sussex Canal company," passed 10th December, 1823;

Ordered to lie on the table.

No. 13. An act to repeal an act passed 21st January, 1829, entitled "An act to repeal the act entitled an act to drain the drowned lands in the county of Sussex," passed the 28th day of November, 1806, and the supplement thereto, passed November 25th, 1809, and to revive the acts so repealed;

Dismissed.

No. 14. A further supplement to the act entitled "An act making

lands liableto be sold for the payment of debts," passed the 18th of February, 1779;

Committed to Messrs. Vroom, Chetwood and Hoff.

No. 15. Report of committee on the subject of John Denn's Canal, in the county of Salem;

Laid on the table.

No. 16. Report on the petition to drain the Great Meadows in the county of Warren;

Laid on the table.

No. 17. Report of the committee on application for a new county, to be called Washington;

Laid on the table.

No. 18. Report of committee on the subject of a new county, to be set off from parts of Essex, Somerset and Middlesex;

Ordered to lie on the table.

No. 19. Report of committee on the subject of setting off a new township from the township of Newton, in the county of Gloucester, to be called the township of Camden;

Ordered to lie on the table.

No. 20. Report concerning a public wharf or dock, at Red Bank, in Monmouth county;

Dismissed.

No. 21. Report of committee on the memorial of certain citizens of the county of Hunterdon, complaining of the official conduct of Henry Miller, esq. a justice of the peace of said county;

Committed to Messrs. Potts, Nevius and Hurley.

Mr. Earl from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled "An act for the support of the government of this state;"

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The House adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

The bill entitled "An act relating to persons in actual confinement for debt, in certain cases,"

Was called up, read a second time, when a further consideration of the same was postponed.

The Speaker presented a communication from Garret D. Wall, esq. announcing his non-acceptance of the appointment of Governor of this state;

Read, and ordered to be sent to Council.

Mr. Jackson, presented a petition from William Green, jr. Apollas R. Wetmore, and David W. Wetmore, for an act of incorporation to carry on the Iron business in the county of Morris;

Read, and committed to Messrs. Jackson, Hopper and Black.

Mr. Hillard offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House adjourn on Saturday the 7th day of November, to the day of

Ordered to lie on the table.

The House adjourned to Tuesday ten o'clock, A. M.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Mickle presented an abstract of ratables from the county of Gloucester;

Ordered to lie on the table.

No. 18, of unfinished business, being report of committee on the subject of setting off a new county from parts of Essex, Somerset and Middlesex,

Was called up and ordered to be dismissed.

The bill entitled "An act to divorce Daniel Skillenger from his wife Phebe,"

Was called up, and a further consideration of the same postponed; and the documents accompanying the same, were ordered to be referred to a select committee, consisting of Messrs. Hornblower, Jackson, Hillard, West and Earl.

Mr. Nevius offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire whether any, and if any, what alterations and amendments are necessary in the act entitled "An act to establish Common Schools," passed the 24th day of February, A. D. 1829;

Which resolution was adopted, and Messrs. Nevius, Foster and Jeffers, accordingly appointed.

Mr. Hornblower offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire whether any, and if any, what alterations are necessary in the existing laws concerning Landlords and Tenants, with leave to report by bill;

Which resolution was adopted, and Messrs. Hornblower, Kirkpatrick and Ireland, appointed accordingly.

Mr. Earl, with leave, presented a bill entitled "An act exempting minors from militia duty in time of peace;"

Read, ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The bill entitled "An act relating to persons in actual confinement for debt, in certain cases."

Was called up, and on motion,

Ordered to be referred to a committee of the whole House, on some future day.

Mr. Jackson from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Jersey Iron company;"

Read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Jeffers, with leave, presented a bill entitled "An act to abolish imprisonment for debt, in certain cases;"

Read and referred to a committee of the whole on some future day.

On motion of Mr. Hillard,

Ordered, That the House go into committee of the whole on Thursday morning next, for the consideration of the bill relating to persons in actual confinement for debt, in certain cases; and also the bill abolishing imprisonment for debt in certain cases.

The bill entitled "An act for the support of the government of this state,"

Was read a second time, gone through by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Little presented a petition from James I. Compton, for a divorce from his wife Phebe F. Compton;

Read, and committed to Messrs. Little, Monro and Bennett.

Mr. Hillard presented a petition from Sibbah Reed for a divorce from her husband Daniel Reed;

Committed to Messrs. Hillard, Mickle and Van Winkle.

Mr. Cruser from the committee on that subject, reported a bill entitled "An act to divorce Rebecca Messler from her husband William Messler;"

Read, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Hornblower, from the select committee, to whom was referred the documents accompanying the petition of Daniel Skillenger, for a divorce from his wife Phebe,

Reported, That the said documents were couched in such indecent and offensive language, that it would be beneath the dignity of this House to have them read publicly at the Clerk's table; and also that the charge of adultery exhibited in said petition, is abundantly established,

And submitted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the documents accompanying the petition of Daniel Skillenger for a divorce from his wife Phebe, be laid on the table for the inspection of members;

Which report and resolution were laid on the table.

The bill to divorce Daniel Skillenger and wife,

Was called up, read a 2d time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for third reading.

Mr. Jackson from committee to settle the accounts of the Treasurer, presented the following report:

We, the subscribers, a committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle the accounts of the Treasurer of the state, do hereby certify that we have examined the said accounts, and find them regularly and correctly settled and balanced; and have ascertained

that the evidences of public stock, securities, and other effects, are actually in the Treasury. The balance in the hands of the Treasurer they find to be the sum of nine thousand and twenty-two dollars and thirty-eight cents, standing to his credit as treasurer of the state, in various banks and otherwise accounted for as follows, viz.

In the Trenton Banking Company, eight thousand seven hundred and sixty-three dollars and nine cents.

In the Sussex Bank one hundred and fifty-nine dollars and twenty-nine cents. and in cash one hundred dollars making an aggregate of nine thousand and twenty-two dollars and thirty-eight cents.

In addition to the above, there is also standing to the credit of Charles Parker, treasurer of the New-Jersey School Fund, in the Sussex Bank, five dollars, and in the State Bank at Elizabeth, seventy-five cents, which two sums being the balance of net proceeds now in his hands arising from the fund.

SIGNED,

GEORGE MAXWELL, } *Committee*
ELIAS P. SEELEY, } *of Council.*

JOSEPH JACKSON,
W. N. JEFFERS,
JOS. C. HORNBLOWER,
SAMUEL BLACK,
FERDINAND S. SCHENCK. } *Committee on the part of the House of Assembly.*

Trenton, October 28th, 1829.

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer, in Account Current with*

1828.		Dols.	Cts.
Oct. 28.	To a balance on settlement this day,	14,201	74

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1828.				Dols. Cts.
Oct. 29.	By paid for 3 bills of cost from Bergen,		40 63	
	For 3 do. Sussex,		39 77	
	Brigade inspector of Sussex, his salary for 1828,		30 00	
30.	Law reporter his semi annual salary,		100 00	
	Sheriff of Gloucester, for transporting 3 prisoners to state-prison		45 47	
	Sheriff of Gloucester, 3 taxed bills of cost,		80 57	
31.	Sarah Wood, 6 month's pension,		20 00	
	For 6 inquisitions from Monmouth,		81 86	
Nov. 9	2 do. Burlington,		24 35	
				462 65
10.	D. Fenton, for books for state library,		19 62	
	Brigade inspector of Bergen, his salary, for 1828,		30 00	
12.	David Ryerson, a member of Council for his attendance, &c.		70 50	
	Andrew Howell,	do.	59 10	
	Edward Condict,	do.	63 60	
	Nathaniel Board,	do.	78 00	
	Amos Harrison,	do.	66 00	
	James T. Dunn,	do.	57 00	
	William I. Emley,	do.	54 00	
				497 82
	George Maxwell,	do.	55 00	
	Caleb Newbold,	do.	60 50	
	Jeremiah J. Foster,	do.	60 90	
	Israel R. Clawson,	do.	69 00	
	John Trenchard,	do.	73 20	
	Israel Townsend,	do.	87 00	
	Joshua Townsend, a member of Assembly,		84 00	
	James Evans,	do.	76 50	
				566 10
	Peter Merkle,	do.	70 50	
	Peter C. Westervelt,	do.	72 00	
	Andrew P. Hopper,	do.	72 00	
	Christian Zabriskie,	do.	72 00	
	Enoch Clifford,	do.	58 80	
	Alexander Wurts,	do.	54 90	
	Isaac G. Farlee,	do.	58 50	
	Daniel Vleit,	do.	67 50	
				526 20
	Jonathan Robbins,	do.	61 50	
	John H. Voorhees,	do.	57 75	

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer,*

1823.		Dols.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	14,201	74

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1828.				Dols. Cts.
Nov. 12.	By paid William C. Annin, member of Assembly,	do.	60 75	
	James S. Nevius,	do.	55 50	
	William Stites,	do.	66 00	
	William Pennington,	do.	63 00	
	Dennis Coles,	do.	66 00	
	Samuel Black,	do.	52 20	
	John Emley,	do.	52 50	
				535 20
	Richard Eayre,	do.	42 00	
	Philip F. Howell,	do.	48 30	
	Charles C. Stratton,	do.	64 50	
	John Estle,	do.	72 00	
	Joseph Porter,	do.	58 50	
	Daniel H. Ellis,	do.	57 00	
	James West,	do.	63 00	
	Leonard Walling,	do.	54 00	
	James Lloyd,	do.	63 00	
				522 30
	Jeremiah Foster,	do.	68 10	
	William I. Shinn,	do.	69 00	
	Edward Smith,	do.	69 00	
	Nathaniel Foster,	do.	75 00	
	Elias P. Seeley,	do.	72 00	
	William B. Ewing, sp.	do.	81 50	
	Charles Carson,	do.	52 50	
	Andrew Snowhill,	do.	55 20	
				542 30
	Nicholas Booream,	do.	46 50	
	John Hancock,	do.	66 00	
	Joseph Jackson,	do.	66 30	
	Charles Hillard,	do.	66 00	
	William Monroe,	do.	64 50	
	William L. Prall, clerk of Assembly,		59 50	
	William Gould, door-keeper of do.		36 00	
	John Bellerjeau, door-keeper of Council,		36 00	
				440 80
	William L. Prall, for engrossing,		4 56	
	Thomas Wiggins, Printer, Incidental Bill,		18 10	
	William L. Prall, do.		52 92	
	Charles Parker, do.		36 55	
	Brigade Inspector of Middlesex, his salary for 1828.		30 00	
	Sheriff of Monmouth, for transporting a prisoner to State-Prison,		11 05	
	Do. for amount of a bill of cost,		49 43	

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer.*

1826.		Dols.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	$14,201	74

1828.	CONTRA.		Cr. Dols. Cts,
Nov. 12.	By paid Sheriff of Bergen, for transporting a prisoner to State-Prison,	31 00	
	Do. for a taxed bill of cost,	17 62	
	Governor for his semi-annual salary up to 5th instant,	1,000 00	
			1,251 23
	Librarian, for 16 days attendance at the Library,	32 00	
	Adjutant-General, his semi-annual salary to 1st. ult.	50 00	
	Quarter-Master-General, his semi-annual salary to 16th inst.	50 00	
	Chief Justice, for holding four circuits and his semi-annual salary to 29th ultimo,	720 00	
	Daniel Fenton, for allowance in incidental bill,	49 04	
13.	Lydia Westbrook, for six months pension,	120 00	
	Lydia Wood, for 6 months pension,	20 00	
15.	Alexander Witherup, allowance in incidental bill,	4 00	
17.	G. H. Ford, his salary to 25th inst. and for holding five circuits,	700 00	
			1,745 04
	Abraham Godwin, member of Assembly,	72 00	
18.	Privy Council when met to count votes, &c.	52 84	
	Serjeant-at-Arms, for his attendance upon the Council,	4 00	
19.	Theodore Frelinghuysen, for allowance in incidental bill,	31 96	
	Attorney-General, his semi-annnal salary,	40 00	
	Secretary of Council, per order,	63 00	
	Daniel Coleman, for quarter salary and issuing commissions,	95 08	
22.	Elizabeth Kinsley, her pension up to 27th Sept. last,	40 00	
			390 88
29.	Stacy G. Potts, a member of Assembly,	48 00	
	Eunice Platt, for six months pension,	20 00	
	Tuition of deaf and dumb in New-York Institution,	130 58	
Dec. 3.	John J. Ely, an elector of President and Vice-President,	15 60	
	Gabriel Hoff, do.	9 90	

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1828.				Dols.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,			$14,201	74
Dec. 16.	By received of Asher Atkinson, the quota of Hunterdon Tax,	3,401	90		
1829.					
Jan. 2.	George Hulme, do. Burlington Tax for 1828.	3,234	31		
3.	For three months interest on stock	39	84		
	Of John Sinnickson, the quota of tax of Salem for 1828,	1,617	47		
6.	Charles Carter, do. Warren do.	1,639	13		
	Robert M. Holmes, do. Cape-May, 1828,	484	47		
	David Ryerson, do. do. Sussex, 1828,	1,519	29		
7.	Andrew P. Hopper, do. do. Bergen, do.	1,949	80		
				13,886	21
	Jeremiah Buck, do. do. Cumberland, do.	1,189	65		
	Nicholas Booraem, do. do. Middlesex, do.	2,439	44		
	Samuel Webster. do. do. Gloucester, do.	2,534	40		
10.	Jno. Frelinghuysen, do. do. Somerset do.	1,982	15		
28.	Silas Condict, on account do. Essex on account do.	2,719	00		
	Do. do. balance of tax from Essex,	148,	11		
	Silas Condict, for five per cent. on premiums of Insurance Companies, located in Essex county,	49	31		
				11,062	06

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1828.			Dols. Cts.
Dec. 3.	By paid Aaron Leiming, an elector of President and Vice-President,	33 00	
	Alexander White, do.	21 00	
			278 08
	Christian Zabriskie, do.	27 00	
	Abraham Brown, do.	9 00	
	Timothy Elmer, do.	24 00	
	Theodore Frelinghuysen, do.	18 00	
	John Bellerjeau, door-keeper,	2 00	
4.	William Gould, per allowance in incidental bill,	5 49	
	One inqusition from Monmouth,	17 54	
7.	Norbury Bashford, for binding books,	1 25	
9.	Sheriff of Sussex for transporting a prisoner to State Prison,	30 05	
			134 33
	Do. for amount of a bill of cost,	20 42	
12.	Jacob B. James, per allowance in incidental bill,	9 75	
	Joseph Justice, do.	38 83	
16.	Daniel Coleman, for books for State Library,	12 50	
17.	One inquisition from Hunterdon,	15 46	
1829.			
Jan. 6.	Four inquisitions from Warren,	73 39	
	F. S. Labaw, keeper of state prison, ¼ salary,	200 00	
	J. T. French, clerk, do.	125 00	
	Thomas Neal, ass't. keeper, do.	100 00	
			595 35
	William Vanhart, do. do.	100 00	
	John Cunningham, do. do.	100 00	
	Joseph Dye, do. do.	100 00	
	Joseph Ashton, do. do.	16 87	
	Dr. John Howell, Physician, do.	18 75	
	One inquisition from Cape-May,	14 31	
7.	Two do. Bergen,	19 12	
	Sheriff of Morris, for transporting a prisoner to state prison,	21 41	
			390 46
	Do. for prosecution of said prisoner,	26 99	
9.	Twenty-two inquisitions from Gloucester,	289 40	
10.	One inquisition from Somerset,	11 37	
13.	Wm. Converse, for a copy of Webster's Dictionary,	20 00	
16.	Daniel Coleman, for commissions and ¼ salary, to 30th inst.	13 75	

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1829.			Dols. Cts.
	Amount brought forward,		$39,150 01
Feb. 4.	To Received of James Wood for quota of tax due from Morris for 1828,	$2,352 05	
	William I. Conover, for Quota of tax, due from Monmouth,	2,792 78	
			5,144 83

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1829.				Dols.	Cts.
Jan. 22.	By paid Brigade Inspector of Salem, his salary for 1828,		30 00		
28.	Sheriff of Essex for bringing 2 prisoners to state prison,		27 50		
	Do. for two taxed bills of cost,		70 56		
				489	57
	For seven inquisitions from Monmouth,		113 57		
	ten do.	Essex,	148 11		
31.	N. Bashford, for binding books,		9 00		
Feb, 4.	For 2 inquisitions from Monmouth,		30 74		
	1 do.	Morris,	24 82		
6.	Sheriff of Monmouth, for bringing a prisoner to state-prison.		11 52		
	Do. for a taxed bill of cost,		25 36		
10.	D. Coleman, for issuing commissions &c.		19 16		
13.	Sheriff of Sussex, for bringing a prisoner to state-prison,		33 50		
				415	78
	Do. for amount of a bill of cost,		37 83		
24.	Geo: Maxwell, a member of council,		157 00		
	Israel Townsend,	do.	189 00		
	John Trenchard,	do.	175 20		
	Edward Condict,	do.	165 60		
	Wm I. Emley,	do.	156 00		
	Jeremiah J. Foster,	do.	162 30		
	Nathaniel Board,	do.	180 00		
	James T. Dunn,	do.	159 00		
				1,381	93
	Jeremy Mackey,	do.	159 60		
	Andrew Howell,	do.	161 10		
	Amos Harrison,	do.	168 00		
	Caleb Newbold,	do.	179 50		
	Israel R. Clawson,	do.	171 00		
	David Ryerson,	do.	172 50		
	Peter Merkle a member of Assembly,		172 50		
	James Evans,	do.	178 50		
				1,362	70
	Jeremiah Foster,	do.	171 00		
	Edward Smith,	do.	171 00		
	William J. Shinn,	do.	171 00		
	Phillip F. Howell,	do.	150 30		
	John Emley,	do.	154 50		
	Richard Eayre,	do.	153 00		
	Samuel Black,	do.	154 20		
	Abraham Godwin, jr.	do.	174 00		
				1,299	00

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1829.			Dols.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,		44,294	84
March 18.	To received from G. H. Ford and William Halsted, jr. for 2 copies revised laws,	10 00		
April 11.	Do. 3 months interest on United States Stock,	39 84		
			49	84

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1829.				Dols. Cts.
Feb. 24.	By paid Dennis Coles, a member of General Assembly,		168 00	
	William Stites,	do.	168 00	
	William Pennington,	do.	168 00	
	James S. Nevius,	do.	157 50	
	John H. Voorhees,	do.	159 75	
	William C. Annin,	do.	162 75	
	Daniel Vliet,	do.	168 00	
	Johnathan Robbins,	do.	162 00	
	Andrew Snowhill,	do.	157 20	
				1,471 20
	Nicholas Booream,	do.	139 50	
	Charles Carson,	do.	154 50	
	Andrew P. Hopper,	do.	174 00	
	Christian Zabriskie,	do.	174 00	
	Peter C. Westervelt,	do.	174 00	
	John Estle,	do.	174 00	
	Charles C. Stratton,	do.	166 50	
	Joseph Porter	do.	160 50	
	Daniel H. Ellis,	do.	159 00	
				1,476 00
	Leonard Walling,	do.	165 00	
	James Lloyd,	do.	165 00	
	James West,	do.	165 00	
	Joseph Jackson,	do.	168 30	
	John Hancock,	do.	168 00	
	Charles Hillard,	do.	168 00	
	William Monroe,	do.	168 00	
	Elias P. Seeley,	do.	174 00	
				1,341 30
	Nathaniel Foster,	do.	174 00	
	William B. Ewing, sp.	do.	200 50	
	Joshua Townsend,	do.	186 00	
	Stacy G. Potts,	do.	150 00	
	Alexander Wurts,	do.	156 90	
	Enoch Clifford,	do.	160 80	
	Isaac G. Farlee,	do.	160 50	
	Samuel Evans, for engrossing,		150 40	
				1,339 10
	Daniel Coleman, secretary to Council,		182 00	
	William L. Prall clerk of Assembly,		182 00	
	John Bellerjeau door-keeper,		104 00	
	William Gould door-keeper,		104 00	
	Brigade Inspector, of Essex, his salary,		30 00	
	Charles Parker, Librarian,		100 00	
	John Bellerjeau, Serjeant-at-Arms as door-keepers to Chancery,		8 00	

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer,*

1829.			Dols.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,		44,344	68
May 28.	To received of John Trenchard, for 1 copy of Revised Laws,	5 00		
			5	00

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1829.				Dols.	Cts.
Feb. 24.	By paid Daniel Coleman, secretary,		238 29		
	Joseph Justice, per allowance in incidental bill,		126 50		
				1,074	79
	George Lanning,	do.	3 00		
	Benjamin Fish,	do.	12 55		
	Jasper Scott,	do.	11 62		
	Thomas Cain	do.	4 62		
	William Kerwood,	do.	50		
	John C. Chambers.	do.	3 21		
	Samuel Evans,	do.	1 01		
	John Davisson,	do.	4 83		
	John R. Smith,	do.	1 75		
				43	09
	S. & T. J. Stryker,	do.	75		
	Scudder & Reeder,	do.	96		
	William Hancock,	do.	4 00		
	A. W. Phillips,	do.	197 07		
	Isaac Worthington,	do.	15 63		
	William Marseilles,	do.	6 49		
	Daniel Fenton,	do.	43 56		
	John Noble,	do.	6 00		
				274	46
	Andrew Allison,	do.	7 77		
	Martin C. How,	do.	7 41		
	George Sherman,	do.	92 79		
	John Bellerjeau,	do.	8 50		
	Robert Baird,	do.	107 11		
	Isaac H. Williamson,	do.	47 70		
	William L. Prall,	do.	43 58		
	William B. Ewing,	do.	57 00		
				371	86
	George Maxwell,	do.	4 00		
	John N. Simpson,	do.	109 93		
	William Stites,	do.	27 00		
	Ebenezer P. Rose,	do.	30 00		
	Zachariah Rossell,	do.	13 75		
	David Taylor,	do.	5 00		
25.	Alexander Witherup,	do.	3 75		
26.	Charles Parker,	do.	167 96		
28.	William Ellis,	do.	4 12		
	Charles Sitgreaves, for bringing a fugitive from justice to this state,		50 49		
				416	00
March 4.	Andrew Howell, per allowance in incidental bill,		27 00		
	A. W. Phillips, for printing the act relative to common schools,		13 00		

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer.*

1829.			Dols.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,		44,349	68
July 2.	To received 3 months interest due on United States stock,	39 84		
	For 6 per cent. stock redeemed,	1,554 30		
			1,594	14

1829.	CONTRA.		CR. Dols. Cts.
March 4.	By paid John Davisson, for 2 reams of paper,	7 50	
9.	Sheriff of Burlington, for bringing to the state prison a prisoner,	10 65	
	Do. amount of a bill of cost,	33 18	
	Daniel Coleman, for issuing commissions,	46 12	
12.	For 1 inquisition from Burlington,	9 74	
	Sheriff of Middlesex, for bringing to state prison a prisoner,	12 00	
	Do. amount of a taxed bill of cost,	47 12	
			206 31
21.	Do. of Salem, for bringing to state prison 3 prisoners,	37 90	
	Do. for 3 taxed bills of cost,	103 18	
28.	Do. of Gloucester, for bringing to state prison, a prisoner,	20 89	
	Do. for one taxed bill of cost,	51 46	
April 7.	Do. of Bergen, for bringing to state prison 2 prisoners,	40 65	
	Do. 2 taxed bills of cost,	35 64	
	Do. for service of notice on the president and Co. of Jersey Bank,	50	
	Ephraim Ryno, keeper of state-prison, $\frac{1}{4}$ salary,	200 00	
			490 22
	John T. French, Clerk, do.	125 00	
	Thomas Neal, ass'nt. keeper, do.	100 00	
	William Vanhart, do. do.	100 00	
	Joseph Dye, do. do.	100 00	
	John Cunningham, do. do.	100 00	
	Joseph Ashton, do. do.	16 87	
	John Howell, Physician, do.	18 75	
	To the order of John Bacon, for tuition of deaf and dumb in Philadelphia,	307 28	
			867 90
14.	D. Coleman, for one quarters salary and issuing commissions,	21 94	
17.	Gideon H. Wells, per order of inspectors of state prison,	8 00	
	Sarah Wood, for 6 months pension up to 1st instant,	20 00	
	D. Coleman for issuing commissions and filing warrants,	2 60	
29.	For 2 inquisitions from Monmouth,	21 86	
May 1.	William L. Prall, for copying votes and proceedings,	180 32	

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer.*

1829.			Dols.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,		45,943	82
Sept. 3.	To received of Joseph C. Hornblower for 1 copy of revised laws,	5 00	5	00

1828.	Contra.		Cr. Dols.	Cts.
May 1.	By paid William Halsted, law reporter, his semi-annual salary,	100 00		
	A. W. Phillips, for printing laws of the 53d legislature,	290 00		
2.	P. J. Gray, for printing votes and proceedings,	512 50		
			1,157	22
	Lydia Westbrook, for 6 months pension due 19th ult.	120 00		
	D. Coleman, for issuing commissions, &c.	4 09		
4.	For 13 inquisitions from Burlington,	137 74		
	G. K. Drake, his semi-annual salary, and for holding 5 circuits,	700 00		
5.	D. Coleman, for issuing commissions, &c.	2 35		
7.	Sheriff of Essex, for bringing to state prison 3 prisoners,	27 25		
	Do. for 3 taxed bills of cost,	89 76		
9.	D. Coleman, for issuing commissions and filing warrants,	3 60		
	Silas Condict, for 9 inquisitions from Essex,	96 69		
			1,181	58
13.	Eunice Platt, for 6 months pension,	20 00		
15.	Norbury Bashford, for covering the laws of last sitting,	25 00		
18.	P. J. Gray, for printing journal of Council and minutes of Joint-Meeting,	275 00		
21.	G. H. Ford, for his semi-annual salary and for holding 3 circuits, &c.	654 00		
	Chief Justice, 6 months salary, and for holding 5 circuits,	750 00		
26.	For 6 inquisitions from Hunterdon,	67 73		
27.	Lydia Witlock, for 1 years pension,	160 00		
	Quarter-Master-General, his semi-annual salary,	50 00		
			2,001	73
	Adjutant-General, for 6 months salary,	50 00		
	Governor, for his semi-annual salary,	1000 00		
	Treasurer, for his semi-annual salary,	550 00		
28.	George Maxwell, a member of the court of appeals,	37 00		
	Jeremy Mackey, do.	45 60		

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer.*

1829.			Dols. Cts.
	Amount brought forward,		45,948 82
Oct. 3.	To received for 3 months interest on United States stock,	16 53	16 53

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1829.				Dols.	Cts.
May 28.	By paid Edward Condict, a member of the Court of Appeals,		48 60		
	Andrew Howell,	do.	44 10		
	Amos Harrison,	do.	51 00		
				1,826	30
	James T. Dunn,	do.	42 00		
	William I. Emley,	do.	39 00		
	Caleb Newbold,	do.	37 50		
	J. I. Foster,	do.	45 60		
	Israel R. Clawson,	do.	54 00		
	John Trenchard,	do.	58 20		
	Israel Townsend,	do.	69 00		
	Nathaniel Board,	do.	63 00		
	John Milledge, door-keeper,		24 00		
				432	30
	John Bellerjeau, door-keeper, at a Court of Chancery,		7 00		
	Charles Parker. Librarian,		20 00		
June 2.	For 1 inquisition from Cape-May,		14 41		
9.	Samuel L. Southard, a retaining fee, &c.		150 00		
	Charles Parker, for distributing the laws,		80 00		
13.	Brigade Inspector of Somerset, his salary for 1829,		30 00		
16.	Do. Middlesex, do.		30 00		
17.	Daniel Coleman, for issuing commissions, &c.		24 22		
	Daniel Coleman, clerk of the court of appeals,		38 50		
				394	13
18.	For 4 inquisitions, from Bergen,		34 43		
	Sheriff of Bergen, for bringing a prisoner to state-prison,		27 95		
	Do. do. one bill of cost,		34 38		
23.	Brigade Inspector of Burlington, his salary for 1829,		30 00		
	Do. do. Monmouth do.		30 00		
	Daniel Coleman, for issuing commissions,		1 36		
	For one inquisition from Hunterdon,		18 76		
24.	Sheriff of Burlington, for bringing to state prison a prisoner,		10 65		
				187	53
	Do. do. a taxed bill of cost,		34 82		
25.	Brigade Inspector of Morris, his salary for 1829,		30 00		
	Sheriff of Middlesex, for bringing to state prison a prisoner,		10 80		

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer.*

1829.		Dols.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	45,965	35

CONTRA. CR.

1829.		Dols.	Cts.	Dols.	Cts.
June 25.	By paid do. do. a taxed bill of cost,	36	45		
July 1.	Brigade Inspector of Warren, his salary for 1829,	30	00		
	Sheriff of Gloucester, for bringing to state-prison a prisoner,	21	39		
	Do. do. for a taxed bill of cost,	41	03		
7.	Lydia Wood, for 6 months pension,	20	00		
				224	49
8.	Ephraim Ryno, keeper of state-prison, $\frac{1}{4}$ salary,	200	00		
	John T. French, clerk, do.	125	00		
	Richard Campbell, assistant keeper,	100	00		
	John Cunningham, do. do.	100	00		
	Thomas Neal, do. do.	100	00		
	William Vanhart, do. do.	100	00		
	William Boswell, chaplain, do.	37	50		
	John Howell, physician, do.	18	75		
	Joseph Ashton, assistant keeper, do.	16	87		
				798	12
15.	For 1 inquisition from Bergen,	7	70		
17.	Brigade Inspector of Bergen, his salary for 1829,	30	00		
	Do. Hunterdon, do.	30	00		
22.	For 1 inquisition, from Monmouth,	14	31		
	Samuel L. Southard, for expenses relative to New-York and New-Jersey boundary,	102	23		
24	David Taylor, armorer,	104	50		
25.	Brigade Inspector of Gloucester, his salary for 1829,	30	00		
28.	For 1 inquisition, from Essex,	7	00		
29.	Joseph Justice, for printing the 5th vol. of Halsted's Reports,	784	00		
				1,109	74
31.	John Milledge, door-keeper at a court of Chancery,	12	00		
Aug. 8.	Norbury Bashford, for covering Halsted's Reports,	27	00		
10.	Sheriff of Hunterdon for bringing to state-prison a prisoner,	9	00		
	Do do. for a taxed bill of cost	15	31		
15.	Do. Monmouth, for bringing a prisoner to state-prison,	11	77		
	Do. do. for amount of a taxed bill of cost,	24	10		
24.	For distributing Halsted's Reports and laws of United States,	60	00		
28.	Sheriff of Burlington, for bringing 3 prisoners to state-prison,	11	15		
				170	33

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer.*

1829.		Dols.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	45,965	35

CONTRA. CR.

1829.			Dols. Cts.
	By paid do. do. for 3 taxed bills of cost,	89 40	
Sept. 1.	Brigade Inspector of Salem, his salary,	30 00	
2.	Sheriff of Sussex, for transporting a prisoner to state-prison.	32 75	
	Do. do. for a taxed bill of cost,	25 72	
11.	Daniel Coleman. as per warrant from the Governor,	80 24	
	Daniel Coleman his salary for issuing commissions, &c.	67 22	
16.	For 3 inquisitions from Essex,	30 92	
			356 25
Oct. 1.	Sheriff of Essex for transporting 2 prisoners to state-prison,	27 25	
	Do. do. for 2 taxed bills of cost,	46 46	
			73 71
7.	William Vanhart, assistant keeper of state-prison $\frac{1}{4}$ salary,	100 00	
	Ephraim Ryno, keeper of do. $\frac{1}{4}$ do.	200 00	
	John French, clerk of do. $\frac{1}{4}$ do.	125 00	
	Richard Campbell, assistant keeper do. $\frac{1}{4}$ do.	100 00	
	John Neal. do. do. $\frac{1}{4}$ do.	100 00	
	John Cunningham, do. do. $\frac{1}{4}$ do.	100 00	
8.	John Howell, physician, do. $\frac{1}{4}$ do.	18 75	
	William Boswell, chaplain, do. $\frac{1}{4}$ do.	37 50	
	James Ryon, assistant keeper, do. $\frac{1}{4}$ do.	16 87	
			798 12
9.	For use of school fund,	496 54	
10.	Sheriff of Morris, for transporting 3 prisoners to state-prison,	30 62	
	Do. do. amount of 3 bills of cost,	150 91	
13.	Marshal of Trenton, for a bill of cost for prosecution of a convict,	17 55	
17.	George K. Drake, associate justice for 6 months salary and holding 3 circuits,	640 00	
	Charles Parker, treasurer, for 6 months salary,	550 00	
19.	Isaac H. Williamson, governor, for 3 months salary,	500 00	
	Wm. Halsted, law reporter, for 6 months salary,	100 00	
24.	John Milledge, sergeant at arms,	9 00	
26.	Daniel Fenton, for books for state library,	116 24	

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer.*

1829.		Dols.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	45,965	35
		45,965	35
Oct. 27.	To a balance on settlement this day in the hands of the treasurer,	9,022	38

Errors excepted.

CHARLES PARKER, *Treasurer.*

1829.	CONTRA.		CR. Dols. Cts.
Oct. 26.	By paid for tuition of deaf and dumb in Pennsylvania institution, to 1st inst.	411 61	
			3022 47
	Balance due per contra,		9022 38
			45,965 35

WE the committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle with the treasurer, of the state, having examined his accounts and the vouchers relative thereto, do find them correctly stated. The balance in the hands of the treasurer, they find to be, nine thousand and twenty-two dollars and thirty-eight cents.

Trenton Oct. 27, 1829.

GEORGE MAXWELL, } *Committee of*
ELIAS P. SEELEY, } *Council.*

JOSEPH JACKSON,
WILLIAM N. JEFFERS,
JOS. C. HORNBLOWER,
SAMUEL BLACK,
FERDINAND S. SCHENCK, } *Committee on the part of the House of Assembly.*

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer, in Account Current with*

1828.			Dols.	Cts.	
Oct. 28.	To a balance on setttlement this day,		133	02	
1829.					
Jan. 1.	Received the tax levied on the Commercial Bank of New-Jersey, for 1828,		150	00	
	Do. State-Bank at Elizabeth,		662	75	
2.	Do. Newark Banking and Insurance Company,		1,750	00	
3.	On account of principal of 6 per cent. stock of 1814,		35,796	00	
					38,491 77
	3 months interest, on 6 per cent stock of 1814 up to 1st inst.	825 21			
	3 months interest on 6 per cent stock of 1815, do.	324 56			
	3 months interest on 4½ per cent. stock do.	1418 86			
			2,568	63	
	Arrears of interest due on 6 per cent stock of 1814, (See last settlement)		45	00	
	Amount of tax levied on the Farmers' Bank of New-Jersey, up to 1st instant,		500	00	
	Do. State-Bank at Newark, do.		1,400	00	
	Do. Cumberland Bank do.		260	12	
6.	Do. Orange Bank, do.		250	00	
8.	Do. State-Bank at New-Brunswick do.		440	00	
15.	Dividend on 133 shares of Trenton Bank stock for the last 6 months,		159	60	
	Amount of tax levied on the Trenton Bank, for 1828,		1,073	70	
					6,697 05
17.	Do. New-Jersey Manufacturing and Banking Company do.		750	00	
	Do. State Bank at Camden, do.		1,500	00	

the Trusteees of the New-Jersey School Fund. CONTRA. CR.

1829.			Dols.	Cts.
Jan. 13.	By paid William John Bell and Co. for $40,000 of Penn. state stock, 102 ¾,	41,100 00		
20.	Do. do. 10,000 do. do. 102¾, deducting for deficit of interest on stock from the 1st of last August, as will appear by reference to certificates,	10,156 00		
July 3.	William John Bell and Co. for $25,000 of Penn. state stock 101 ½ per cent. with a deduction of interest at 5 per cent. per annum, for such time as the difference shall be, between the 1st of February last, and the time subsequent on which the interest shall commence on the certificate,	25,364 58		
			76,620	58

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer, in Account Current with*

1829.				Dols.	Cts.
Jan. 31.	To received do, People's Bank at Paterson, do.		375 00		
	Do. Paterson Bank, do.		800 00		
	Do. Washington Bank, do.		467 30		
				3,892	30
	Do. Bank of New-Brunswick, do.		450 00		
	Do. State-Bank at Morris, do.		340 00		
	Do. Sussex Bank on acc't. do.		132 50		
	Dividend on Cumberland Bank stock, declared 1st instant,		60 00		
	Do. Sussex Bank stock up to this time,		30 00		
Feb. 10.	Interest on Penn'a. state stock, due the 1st. inst.		1,131 67		
April 1.	Amount of tax levied on state bank at Morris, as arrears,		103 21		
				2,247	38
11.	3 months interest on 6 per cent. stock of 1814, up to 1st instant,	$288 27			
	3 months do. do. 1815, do.	324 56			
	3 months do. 4½ per cent. stock, do.	1,418 86			
			2,031 69		
July 2.	Balance of principal of 6 per cent. stock of 1814,		19,218 44		
3.	3 Months interest on 6 per cent. stock of 1814, up to 1st instant,		288 27		
				21,538	40
July 2.	To Received 3 months interest on 6 per cent. stock of 1815,		324 56		
	3 months interest on 4½ per cent stock,		1418 86		
Oct. 1.	For 6 months dividend on Sussex bank stock,		30 00		
	For 6 months dividend on Cumberland bank stock,		60 00		
Aug. 8.	For interest due on Pennsylvania state stock up to the 1st inst.		1,864 72		
	Dividend on 133 shares of Trenton bank stock. up to to 15th ult.		159 60		
Oct. 3.	For tax levied on Salem Banking Company, for 1828,		150 00		
	Do. Farmers and Mechanics bank Rahway,		150 00		

the Trustees of the New-Jersey School Fund. CONTRA. CR.

1829.		Dols.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	76,620	58
Sept. 12.	By paid for $2,948.40 of 6 per cent. stock of 1815, drawing interest from 30th of June last, at 1¾ per cent. Premium,	3,000	00
	Balance due per Contra,	5	75
		79,626	33

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer, in Account Current with*

1829.				Dols.	Cts.
Oct. 3.	By paid for dividend on the stock of the Newark Turnpike declared in January last,		312 50		
	3 months interest on 6 per stock of 1815, up to 1st Jan.	324 56			
	3 months do. 4½ per cent. stock,	1418 86			
			1,743 42		
13.	Balance of interest of 6 per cent. stock of 1815,		44 23		
	Balance of tax due from Sussex bank,		5 00		
				6,262	89
				79,129	79
9.	From the state funds for the purchase of stock for the benefit of this fund,			496	54
				79,626	33
Oct. 27.	To a balance this day in the hands of the treasurer on settlement,			5	75

Errors Excepted.

CHARLES PARKER, *Treasurer.*

the Trustees of the New-Jersey School Fund. CONTRA. CR.

1829.		Dols. Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	79,626 33
		79,623 33

WE the committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle with the treasurer of the state, having examined the foregoing account, do find the same correctly stated. They find a balance to his credit in the Sussex bank of five dollars, and in the state bank at at Elizabeth, seventy-five cents, making an aggregate of five dollars and seventy-five cents, which is equal to the balance of the foregoing account.

Trenton October 27th, 1829.

GEORGE MAXWELL, } *Committee of*
ELIAS P. SEELEY, } *Council.*

JOSEPH JACKSON,
WM. N. JEFFERS,
JOS. C. HORNBLOWER,
SAMUEL BLACK,
FERDINAND S. SCHENCK. } *Committee of the House of Assembly.*

A Summary Recapitulation of the New-Jersey School Fund, Oct. 27th, 1829.

	This column shows receipts since 28th of October 1828.	This column shows disbursements since 28th of Oct. 1828.	Stocks purchased since 28th Oct. 1828 with the same kind on hand at that time.	Total amount of stock and property of which the fund consists.
Balance of net proceeds on settlement. Oct. 28th, 1828,	$133 02			
Arrears of interest due on 6 per cent. stock of 1814, at last settlement,	45 00			
4½ per cent stock on hand 28th of October, 1828,				$126,122 50
Received 1 years interest on the last mentioned stock,	5,675 44			
1st. 6 per cent. stock of 1815, on hand, Oct. 28th. 1828,			$21,637 82	
2d. do. do. purchased in Sept. 1829,			2,948 40	
			———	24,586 22
Received 1 years interest on the 1st sum and 3 months on the 2d.	1,342 47			
1st. 6 per cent. stock of 1814 on hand Oct. 28th, 1828,			55,014 44	
Received 3 months interest, up to Jan. 1829,	825 21			
Received for principal of 6 per cent. stock of 1814,	35,796 00		35 796 00	
Balance on hand, Jan. 1st, 1829,			19,218 44	
Received 6 months interest on balance to 1st July, 1829,	576 54			
Received balance of principal of 6 per cent stock of 1814,	19,218 44		19 218 44	
Paid for second item of 6 per cent. stock of 1815,		3,000 00		
1st. 5 per cent. Pennsylvania state stock, purchased Jan. 1829,			50,000 00	
Paid for the last mentioned stock,		51,256 00		
Received for interest on Pennsylvania state stock to Feb. 1829,	1,131 67			
2d. 5 per cent. Pennsylvania state stock purchased in July, 1829,			25,000 00	
			———	75,000 00
Paid for the last mentioned stock,		25,364 58		

Received the interest due on the Pennsylvania state stock,	$1,864 72		
Newark Turnpike Stock on hand 28th Oct. 1828,			$12,500 00
Received for a dividend declared,	312 50		
Trenton bank stock on hand Oct. 28, 1828.			3,990 00
Received for 2 semi-annual dividends up to July 1829,	319 20		
Cumberland bank stock on hand, 28th Oct. 1828,			2,000 00
Received for 2 semi-annual dividends up to July 18, 1829,	120 00		
Sussex bank stock on hand, Oct. 28. 1828,			1,000 00
Received for 2 semi-annual dividends to August 1829,	60 00		
Received for tax on sundry banks in this state,	11,709 58		
Received from the state for the use of this fund to be returned,	496 54		
Due from Sussex bank.			5 00
Due from the state bank at Elizabeth,			75
Tax due from the Monmouth bank,			200 00
	$79,626 33	$79,620 58	$245,404 47

WE the committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle with the treasurer of the state, having examined the foregoing statement, and compared it with the evidences relating thereto, do find it in all things correct, and the balance in his hands at this time, belonging to the school fund, we find to be five dollars and seventy-five cents, as appears by said statement.

Trenton October 27, 1829.

G. MAXWELL, } *Committee of*
ELIAS P. SEELEY, } *Council.*

JOSEPH JACKSON,
W. N. JEFFERS,
JOSEPH C. HORNBLOWER,
SAMUEL BLACK,
FERDINAND S. SCHENCK. } *Committee on the part of the House of Assembly.*

Dr. *Sundries to General Charges.*

1828.		Dols.	Cts
Oct. 28.	To a balance on settlement this day,	14,201	74
	Uncollected debts—Amount of this Account,	150	00
	Taxes—Received for taxes from the several counties for 1828,	30,003	95
	Interest Account—For amount received on principal of 6 per cent. stock,	136	05
	Insurance Companies—5 per cent. on premiums,	49	31
	Revised Laws—For 4 copies sold,	20	00
	Loan Office—Amount of Account,	2,656	78
	Bills Receivable—Amount of Account,	1,000	00
	Jersey Bank—Due for tax of 1827,	1,000	00
		49,217	83
Oct. 27.	To a balance this day in the treasury, in sundry banks, (see contra,)	9,022	38

Errors excepted.

CHARLES PARKER, *Treasurer.*

1829.	CONTRA.		CR. Dols. Cts.
Uncollected Debts—Due from Presbyterian Congregation at Paterson,			150 00
Taxes—Due from the Jersey Bank,			1,000 00
Bills Receivable—Due from Thomas Gordon and others, besides interest,			1,000 00
Loan Office—Stock on hand,			1,102 48
School Fund—Due from said fund,	496 54		
State Prison—Amount of Account,	3,125 48		
Deaf and Dumb, do. do.	849 47		
State Library, do. do.	178 61		
Jurisdiction, do. do.	252 23		
Salaries, do. do.	8,341 50		
Pensions, do. do.	560 00		
Incidentals, do. do.	1,455 06		
Legislature, do. do.	13,974 06		
Transportation and Criminal prosecution, Amount of Account,	1,759 52		
State Account, do. do.	1,937 64		
Printing Account, do. do.	2,053 50		
Inquisitions, do. do.	1,405 73		
Militia Account, do. do.	553 63		
			36,942 97
Balance due the treasury in sundry banks and cash, to wit:—			
Trenton Banking Company,	8,763 09		
Sussex Bank,	159 29		
Cash,	100 00		
			9,022 38
			$49,217 83

WE the committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle with the treasurer, of the state, having examined his accounts and the vouchers relative thereto, do find them correctly stated. The balance in the hands of the treasurer, they find to be, nine thousand and twenty-two dollars and thirty-eight cents.

Trenton Oct. 27, 1829.

GEORGE MAXWELL, } *Committee of*
ELIAS P. SEELEY, } *Council.*

JOSEPH JACKSON,
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JOS. C. HORNBLOWER,
SAMUEL BLACK,
FERDINAND S. SCHENCK, } *Committee on the part of the House of Assembly.*

Which report, and the documents accompanying the same, were ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to incorporate the Jersey Iron Company,

Was read a second time, when a further consideration of the same was postponed.

The resolution, fixing the day for the adjournment of this House, was called up, and amended. so as to read,

Resolved, That this House adjourn on Tuesday the tenth day of November, inst. to the first Tuesday of January next;

And the same adopted.

The report of the Board of Trustees of the Theological Seminary of the Presbyterian Church,

Was called up, read and adopted, and

Ordered, to be sent to Council.

The House adjourned to ten o'clock A. M. on Wednesday morning, Nov. 4th, 1829.

WEDNESDAY, November 4th, 1829.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Earl, presented a petition from the board of Council of proprietors of the western division of State New-Jersey;

Read and committed to Messrs. Earl, Chetwood, and Hancock.

Mr. Little, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of James I. Compton, for a divorce from his wife Phebe F. Compton,

Reported, A bill entitled "An act to divorce James I. Compton from his wife Phebe;"

Read and ordered a second reading;

Ordered, That the printing of the same be dispensed with.

No. 1. Of unfinished business, "An act to dissolve the marriage contract of Samuel Williams and wife,"

Was called up, and on motion, the same was

Ordered, To be dismissed.

The bill entitled "An act to divorce Phebe Marks from her husband Joseph Marks,"

Was called up for a second reading;

Read, and a further consideration of the same, postponed.

The bill entitled "An act to exempt minors from militia duty in time of peace;"

Was called up for a second reading;

Read, and while an amendment to the second section, was under discussion, it was

Ordered, That a further consideration of said bill be postponed.

The bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Jersey Iron Company,"

Was called up, and a further consideration of the same postponed; When the House adjourned to three o'clock this afternoon.

Three o'clock the House met.

A message from Council (received this morning) by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill entitled "An act to build a bridge over West Creek in the counties of Cumberland and Cape May," without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act for the support of the Government of this State,"

Was called up, read a third time, and compared;

And on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative. unanimously.

Ordered. That the Speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the same be sent to Council for concurrence.

The bill entitled "An act to incorporate the New-Jersey Iron Company,"

Was called up, gone through with by sections, amended, and

Ordered, To be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled "An act to exempt minors from militia duty in time of peace,"

Was gone through with by sections, and

Ordered, To be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Earl, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the Board of Council of Proprietors of the Western Division of New-Jersey,

Reported, A bill entitled "An act to authorize the president of the Council of Proprietors to administer oaths and affirmations to witnesses, and in his absence, the Vice-President or President pro tem.; as also to deputy surveyors in certain cases;

Read and ordered a second reading, and

Ordered, To be printed.

The report of the committee on the subject of the printing of the house,

Was called up, and on motion, it was

Ordered that the same be withdrawn, and the committee discharged.

Mr. Potts offered the following resolution:

Resolved. That Joseph Justice be appointed to print the bills and current printing of the House, Laws, Law Reports, and Votes and Proceedings, at the following rates:

For the bills, to contain at least thirty-four lines per page, in pica type, on the best fools-cap paper that can be procured at $3 per ream, three dollars and fifty cents per sheet. For the Laws and

Law Reports, to contain at least 1800 m's. per page, in small pica type, sixteen hundred copies, on the best paper that can be procured at $3.50 per ream, thirty-two dollars per sheet of sixteen pages. For the Votes and Proceedings, to contain at least 1600 ms. per page, small pica type, thirteen hundred copies, on the same paper as the laws, twenty-six dollars per sheet, of sixteen pages;

Read and adopted.

The bill entitled "An act to dissolve the marriage contract of Daniel Skillenger and Phebe his wife,"

Was called up, read a third time and compared, when,

On the question shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Jackson,
	Chetwood,		Jeffers,
	Cruser,		Kirkpatrick,
	Davis,		Little,
	Earl,		Merkle,
	Ellis,		Mickle,
	Farlee,		Potts,
	Fithian,		Summers,
	Foster,		Swing,
	Hancock,		Townsend,
	Hillard,		Vail,
	Hinchman,		Vliet,
	Hoff,		Warren,
	Hopper,		Wells,
	Hurley,		West,
	Ireland,		Wick—32.

NAYS.

Messrs.	Black,	Messrs.	Nevius,
	Evans,		Schenck,
	Hornblower,		Van Winkle,
	Howell,		Ward,
	Monro,		Wurts Speaker—10.

Ordered, that the Speaker sign the same.

Ordered, that the Clerk inform Council that the House have passed said bill.

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock, A. M. on Thursday morning. November 5.

THURSDAY, November 5, 1829.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Ordered, That the resolution appointing a printer to do the current printing of the House, the Laws, Law Reports, and Votes and Proceedings, be sent to Council for their concurrence.

Mr. Ellis, presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of Monmouth county, for a law authorizing the establishment of a bank at Middletown Point, in said county;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Ellis, Nevius and Wells.

Mr. Nevius, presented a remonstrance against the application of James I. Compton, for a divorce from his wife Phebe F. Compton;

And the same was ordered to lie on the table.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to exempt minors from militia duty in time of peace,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question shall this bill pass?

Was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Jeffers,
Black,	Kirkpatrick,
Chetwood,	Little,
Cruser,	Merkle,
Davis,	Monroe,
Earl,	Nevius,
Ellis,	Potts,
Evans,	Swing,
Farlee,	Townsend,
Fithian,	Vliet,
Foster,	Vroom,
Hinchman,	Warren,
Howell,	Wells,
Hurley,	West,
Ireland,	Wick,—31.
Jackson,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Hancock,	Messrs. Summers,
Hillard,	Vail,
Hoff,	Van Winkle,
Hopper,	Ward,
Hornblower,	Wurts, speaker—11.
Schenck,	

Ordered, that the Speaker sign the same.

Ordered, that said bill be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the New-Jersey Iron company,"

Was read a third time and compared;
And on the question shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Kirkpatrick
Black,	Little,
Chetwood,	Merkle,
Cruser,	Mickle,
Davis,	Monro,
Earl,	Nevius,
Evans,	Potts,
Farlee,	Schenck,
Fithian,	Swing,
Foster,	Townsend,
Hillard,	Vail,
Hinchman,	Vliet,
Hoff,	Vroom,
Hopper,	Van Winkle,
Hornblower,	Ward,
Howell,	Warren,
Hurley,	Wells,
Ireland,	West,
Jackson,	Wick,
Jeffers,	Wurts, speaker—40.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ellis, Messrs. Hancock.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same;

Ordered, That the said bill be sent to Council for concurrence.

The report of the committee on the treasurer's accounts was called up, read, and adopted;

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same:

Ordered, That the said report be sent to Council for their adoption.

Mr. Potts, offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly is ready to go into a joint meeting for the purpose of apointing a Governor, Treasurer, Librarian, Clerk and Surrogate for the county of Warren, and such other civil and military officers as may be deemed necessary in the several counties of this state, and request Council to appoint the time and place of the said meeting;

Read and adopted.

Mr. Jeffers offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire if any, and what, alterations is necessary in the law relative to roads, and that such committee have leave to report by bill or otherwise;

Read and agreed to, and Messrs. Jeffers, Vail, and Fithian appointed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill entitled "An act for the government of this state," without amendment.

The House resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Nevius in the chair, on the bill entitled "An act to abolish imprisonment for debt in certain cases;" and the bill entitled "an act relating to persons in actual confinement for debt in certain cases."

After some time spent in the consideration of the same, the committee rose, reported progress, and obtained leave to sit again.

The speaker resumed the chair, and the House came to order, and adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

The bill entitled "An act authorizing the President of the Council of the Board of Proprietors of West Jersey, to administer oaths and affirmations in certain cases,"

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and

Ordered, To be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council would be ready to go into a joint meeting for the appointment of a Governor, Treasurer, Librarian, Clerk, and Surrogate for the county of Warren, and such other officers, civil and military, as may be deemed necessary for the several counties in this state, to morrow afternoon at 3 o'clock in the assembly room.

The House again resolved itself into a committee of the whole, Mr. Nevius in the chair, on the bill entitled "An act to abolish imprisonment for debt in certain cases; and also on the bill entitled "An act relating to persons in actual confinement for debt in certain cases."

After spending some time in the consideration of said bills, the committee rose;

And the chairman reported to the house,

That the committee of the whole have again had under consideration the bill "to abolish imprisonment for debt in certain cases," and beg leave to report said bill with certain amendments, and beg to be discharged from the further consideration of the same;

Which report was accepted, and said bill called up for a 2d reading, and for the present postponed.

Ordered, That the House now proceed to make their nominations of officers to be appointed at the ensuing joint-meeting;

Which were read and compared, and a duplicate thereof,

Ordered, To be sent to Council,

When the House adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. on Friday morning, November 6th, 1829.

FRIDAY, November 6.

Ten o'clock the House met.

The resolution adopted on Wednesday last, appointing a printer to the House, was ordered to be re-considered,

When the same was amended, so as to read:

Resolved, That Joseph Justice be appointed to print the bills, and current printing of this House, together with the votes and proceedings, at the following rates:

For the bills, to contain at least thirty four lines per page, in pica type, on the best fools-cap paper that can be procured at $3 per ream, three dollars and fifty cents per sheet. For the votes and proceedings, to contain at least 1600 m's. per page, small pica type, thirteen hundred copies on the best paper that can be procured at $3.50 per ream, twenty-six dollars per sheet, of sixteen pages; and adopted.

Mr. Potts, offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved, By the Council and House of Assembly, that Joseph Justice be appointed to print the laws and law reports of this session of the Legislature, to contain at least 1800 m's. per page in small pica type, sixteen hundred copies on the best paper that can be procured at $3.50 per ream, for thirty-two dollars per sheet of sixteen pages.

Read and adopted.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for their approval.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, presented a petition from David Mercereau, praying for compensation for services rendered and money expended in surveying the oyster grounds at Perth-Amboy;

Read and referred to Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Schenck, and Ward.

Mr. Evans, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Sussex, relative to the drowned lands in said county;

Read and referred to Messrs. Evans, Jeffers, and Townsend.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act authorizing the President of the Council of Proprietors of West Jersey, to administer oaths and affirmations in certain cases,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That said bill be sent to Council for concurrence.

Mr. Hornblower offered the following resolution:

Resolved That a committee be appointed to wait upon the Hon. Charles Ewing Chief Justice of this state, and enquire of him whether he is prepared or expects to be prepared, to report to the Legislature during this session, upon the subject of the Prerogative

and Orphans Courts, and the several acts relative to executors administrators and guardians referred to him by a joint resolution of the Council and General Assembly, passed the 9th of Dec. 1825; and that the said committee respectfully request his attention to the said matter, and report his answer to this House during the present sitting;

Read and adopted, and Messrs. Hornblower, Vroom, and Jackson appointed.

Mr. Ellis, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to establish a bank at Middletown Point, in Monmouth county;

Read and ordered a second reading.

The bill entitled "An act to abolish imprisonment for debt in certain cases,"

Was taken up for a second reading,

And while under discussion,

The House adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

A message from Council by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council have had under their consideration the report of the joint committee of both Houses, appointed to settle the accounts of the treasurer of this state, and have approved of the same.

Mr. Nevius offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a special committee of five be appointed to take into consideration the expediency of abolishing imprisonment for debt; and also to take into consideration the bill now before the House on that subject, and report by bill or otherwise, at the next sitting of this Legislature;

Read and adopted, and Messrs. Nevius, Hornblower, Jeffers, Jackson, and Earl, appointed.

Ordered, That said bill be re-printed with the amendments.

The order of House referring the bill relating to persons in actual confinement for debt in certain cases, was ordered to be recinded, and said bill referred to the special committee on imprisonment for debt.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House are now ready to go into a joint-meeting, for the purpose of appointing a Governor, Treasurer, Librarian Clerk and Surrogate of Warren county, and such other officers civil and military as may be deemed necessary in the several counties of the state.

The Council came into the Assembly room, both Houses went into joint-meeting, and after going through their appointments, the joint-meeting rose;

The House came to order, and adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. on Saturday Nov. 7th. 1829.

SATURDAY, November 7, 1829.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Hornblower, from the committee to whom was referred the resolution relative to the subject committed to the Chief Justice, by joint resolution, adopted 5th Dec. 1825,

Reported, A communication from the Chief Justice addressed to the committee;

Ordered, To lie on the table.

No. 16, of unfinished business, being "report on the petition to drain the great meadows in the county of Warren,"

Was called up. and the same committed to Messrs. Vliet, Kirkpatrick, and Merkle.

The bill entitled "An act to divorce Rebecca Messler from her husband William Messler,"

Was called up for a second reading;

Read and ordered to be dismissed.

Mr. Hornblower, offered the following preamble and resolutions:

WHEREAS, The interest and prosperity of the state of New-Jersey, in common with the other States of the Union, essentially depend upon a proper protection and encouragement of domestic manufactures, and home industry;—AND WHEREAS, the tariff, lately established by Congress, is well calculated to afford such protection and encouragement, to inspire a spirit of natural enterprise and industry, and promote the wealth and internal resources of our country, which can never be realized while dependant on foreign manufactures—THEREFORE,

1. *Resolved by the Council and General Assembly of the State of New-Jersey*, That the Senators and Representatives of this State, in the Congress of the United States, be, and they are hereby requested, by their votes, and influence in that body, to oppose a repeal or any such modification or alteration of the existing tariff as may lessen or impair the encouragement and protection now afforded to the mechanics and manufactures of our country.

2. *Resolved*, That the Governor of this State, be, and he is herebe requested, to cause a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolution, to be forwarded to each of the Senators and Representatives in Congress, from this state;

Read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire whether any, and if any, what amendments are necessary to be made to an act entitled "An act to alter and amend the act, entitled an act concerning Inns and Taverns;

Read, and Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Hancock, and Black, appointed.

Mr. Hinchman, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire whether any, and if any, what alterations are necessary in the act entitled "An

act to prevent horse racing" passed 15th February 1811, with leave to report by bill or otherwise.

Read, agreed to, and Messrs. Hinchman, West, and Swing, appointed.

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to monday November 9th. at 10 A. M.

No. 2 Of unfinished business, "An act to regulate wagons and other carriages in the state of New-Jersey,"

Was called up, and referred to Messrs. Black, Fithian, and Davis.

Ordered, That the vacancy occasioned by the appointment of Peter D. Vroom, jr. esq. to the office of Governor, in the committee to settle the state-prison accounts, be filled, whereupon Mr. Schenck was appointed for that purpose.

Mr. Chetwood, from the committee to whom was referred No. 14 of unfinished business, being a further supplement to the act entitled "An act making lands liable to be sold for the payment of debts," passed 18th February, 1779,

Reported, The same without amendment;

Which report was accepted, and said bill ordered to be dismissed.

A message from Council by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill entitled "An act to incorporate the New-Jersey Iron Company," without amendment, and that Council have disagreed to the bill entitled "An act to dissolve the marriage contract between Daniel Skillenger and Phebe his wife."

Mr. Hornblower, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire and report whether any, and if any, what alterations or amendments ought to be made in the existing laws of this state, in relation to the sale and conveyance of real estate, by sheriffs or other officers, and by executors, administrators, guardians, and commissioners. under judgments, decrees, of orders for sale of real estate, agreed to and Mess. Hornblower, Potts, and Earl appointed.

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock on Monday morning, Nov. 9th 1829.

MONDAY, November 9, 1829.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Evans, from the committee on the subject of the drowned lands in the county of Sussex,

Reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the memorialists have leave to present a bill at the next sitting of the Legislature.

Agreed to.

Mr. Jeffers, presented a petition from Valentine Ballinger for a divorce from his wife Hannah;

Read and committed to Messrs. Jeffers, Bennett, and Ireland.

Mr. Chetwood, offered the following resolution:

Resolved That a committee be appointed to enquire whether any, and if any, what alterations are necessary to be made in the act entitled "An act concerning forcible entries and detainers;"

Agreed to,

And Messrs. Chetwood, Howell, and Hurley, appointed.

The communication from the Hon. the Chief Justice, upon the subject of the Ordinary and Surrogates,

Was called up and read;

When Mr. Hornblower offered the following preamble and joint resolution:

WHEREAS the Hon. Charles Ewing, Chief Justice, has communicated to the House of Assembly, that his official duties have prevented his attention to the matters referred to him by a joint resolution of the Council and General Assembly, passed the 9th of December 1825—THEREFORE,

Resolved by the Council and General Assembly of this state, That the Hon. Andrew Kirkpatrick be requested to revise the acts and supplements, and other matters mentioned in the preamble to that resolution, and to report thereon by bill or otherwise, to the next sitting; and that the Vice President of Council and the Speaker of the House of Assembly, be a committee to inform the said Andrew Kirkpatrick of this request;

Which was read and ordered to a second reading;

And the rule of the House being dispensed with, it was read a second time, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Mickle, presented a memorial from sundry citizens of New-Jersey, for a law authorizing the construction of a rail road from Camden to South Amboy;

Read and committed to Messrs. Mickle, Jeffers, and Ellis.

Mr. Foster, presented an abstract of ratables from Cumberland;

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Nevius, presented the following resolution:

WHEREAS a vacancy has occurred in the House of Assembly of this state, by the appointment of Peter D. Vroom, jr. a Delegate from the county of Somerset, to the office of Governor and Chancellor—THEREFORE,

Resolved, That the Speaker of this House cause such vacancy to be filled according to the manner prescribed in the provisions of the act, in such case made and provided.

Agreed to.

The preamble and resolutions relative to instructing the representatives of this state in the Congress of the United States, on the subject of the Tariff,

Was called up, and postponed until the next sitting of the Legislature, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Jeffers,
Cruser,	Kirkpatrick,
Davis,	Little,
Earl,	Merkle,
Ellis,	Mickle,
Evans,	Nevius,
Farlee,	Potts,
Hancock,	Schenck,
Hillard,	Summers,
Hinchman,	Vliet,
Howell,	Warren,
Hurley,	Wells,
Ireland,	Wick,
Jackson,	Wurts, speaker—28.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Swing,
Chetwood,	Townsend,
Fithian,	Vail,
Foster,	Van Winkle,
Hoff,	Ward,—11.
Hornblower,	

Mr. Mickle, from the committee on that subject,
Reported a bill entitled "An act to defray incidental charges,"
Rread and ordered a second reading, and to be printed,
When they adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Ward, presented a petition from inhabitants of the counties of Bergen and Essex, for a turnpike road;
Read and committed to Messrs. Ward, Little, and Monro.
Mr. Potts, presented the bond from the Treasurer of the state;
Approved of, and
Ordered to be sent to Council.
Mr. Mickle, offered the following joint resolution:
Resolved by the Council and General Assembly, That Martin Howe be appointed to take charge of the State-House and Yard.
Read, and ordered to lie on the table.
Mr. Hillard, offered the following joint resolution:
Resolved, That a joint committee be appointed, consisting of on the part of the House of Assembly, to examine the State-Prison at Sing-Sing, in the state of New-York,

that at Weathersfield, in the state of Connecticut, and, if thought necessary, that at Boston, in the state of Massachusetts, to obtain all the information that can be obtained relative to the construction of those prisons and all the improvements that have been made in the government and discipline of the same, and make report to this Legislature, at the next sitting, of the same.

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Jeffers, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Valentine Ballinger, for a divorce from his wife,

Reported the following resolution:

Resolved, That the petitioner have leave to present a bill for his relief at the next sitting, upon condition of giving notice of the same for two weeks in the Salem Messenger.

Agreed to.

The bill entitled "An act to defray incidental charges,"

Was taken up,

When, on motion, the printing of the same was dispensed with.

The rule of the House also being dispensed with, said bill was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Potts, with leave, introduced a bill entitled "An act to incorporate the New-Jersey Canal Commissioners;"

Read, and referred to Messrs. Potts, Schenck, and Wells.

Mr. Hornblower, offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved, That a joint committee of the two Houses, to consist of three members on the part of this House, be appointed to prepare and bring in a bill at the next sitting of the Legislature, to provide for a just and proper representation in this House, of the several counties in this state, according to population, after the next census; so, *always nevertheless*, that no county shall be entitled to a less number of representatives than it has at present;

Read, and the rule being dispensed with, it

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire whether any, and if any, what amendments are necessary to the militia laws of this state;

Agreed to;

And Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Farlee, and Black, appointed.

The resolution appointing Martin Howe, to take charge of the State House and grounds, was taken up and amended by striking out the name of Martin Howe and inserting that of Samuel B. Scattergood, when the (rule being dispensed with) it was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The resolution appointing a committee to visit different state-prisons, was called up, and the blank filled with the names of Messrs. Hillard and Kirkpatrick on the part of this House, and the rule being dispensed with, it was read a second time and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. Tuesday morning 10th Nov. 1829.

TUESDAY, November 10, 1829.

Ten o'clock the House met.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to defray incidental charges,"
Was taken up, read a third time and compared;
When on the question shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Ellis,
Earl,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker.

NAYS.

Messrs. Vliet and Jackson.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The joint resolution requesting the Hon. Andrew Kirkpatrick, to perform certain duties appertaining to the ordinary and surrogates, was read a third time and compared,

When the same was agreed to.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and ordered to be sent to Council for approval.

The joint resolution authorizing the appointment of a committee to visit the State-Prisons of other states,

Was called up for a third reading;

And on the question.

Shall this resolution be agreed to?

It was decided in the negative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Mickle,
Ellis,	Potts, 5.
Hillard,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Little,
Chetwood,	Nevius,
Cruser,	Schenck,
Earl,	Summers,
Farlee,	Swing,
Fithian,	Townsend,
Foster,	Vail,
Hancock,	Vliet,
Hoff,	Van Winkle,
Hornblower,	Ward,
Howell,	Warren,
Hurley,	West,
Ireland,	Wick,
Jackson,	Wurts, speaker—29.
Kirkpatrick,	

The joint resolution, appointing Samuel B. Scattergood keeper of the state house, and grounds,

Was taken up for a third reading, when the same was agreed to.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the said resolution be sent to Council for approval.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill entitled, "An act to exempt minors from militia duty in time of peace," without amendment.

The joint resolution, relative to an equality of representation, from the several counties in this state, was called up for a third reading;

Read, compared and agreed to, and Mr. Hornblower, Potts, and Hinchman, appointed on the part of this House.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the said resolution be sent to Council for concurrence.

Mr. Earl, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to take into consideration the propriety of repealing the "Act directing the mode of appointing surrogates, passed 28th November, 1822; and also, the act directing the manner of appointing prosecutors of the pleas of the state in the several counties thereof, passed 11th Dec 1823, and report to the next meeting of this Legislature,

Agreed to, and Mess. Earl, Nevius, and Cruser appointed.

Mr. Wick, from the committee to whom was referred No. 11, of unfinished business, being a further supplement to the act entitled "An act for the better relief and employment of the poor in the county of Salem," reported the same without amendment;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Jackson, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee appointed to settle the accounts of the state-prison, be instructed to enquire into, and annex to their report at the next sitting, what measures would be proper to be adopted as an amendment to our state-prison discipline, and employment and treatment of the prisoners;

Agreed to.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House that Council had approved of the bond given by Charles Parker treasurer of the state; and that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly entitled "An act to defray incidental charges," without amendment.

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn with prayer, and that the Rev. Mr. Swing perform that service;

Agreed to.

A message from council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House that Council had agreed to a joint resolution relative to a more equal apportionment of the representation in the House of Assembly, and have appointed the Vice-President and Mr. Seeley a committee on their part in conformity with said resolution; and also, that Council had agreed to the joint resolution from the House of Assembly, relative to a revision of certain laws; also, that Council had disagreed to the resolution from Assembly, appointing a person to take charge of the state house and yard;

When the House adjourned to second Tuesday of January next.

ADJOURNED SITTING.

TRENTON, Tuesday, January 5, 1830.

Three o'clock P. M. the House met.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House have met, formed a quorum, and have proceeded to business.

Jacob Kline, a member elect from the county of Somerset, to fill the vacancy occasioned by the appointment of Peter D. Vroom, jr. esq. to the office of Governor, appeared, produced his certificate of election, was qualified and took his seat.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House that Council had met, formed a quorum, and had proceeded to business.

House adjourned until Wednesday morning 10 o'clock A. M. Jan. 6th.

WEDNESDAY, January 6, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Earl, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the state, relative to the regulation of the track of carriages throughout the state.

Referred to the committee on that subject;

Mr. Kirkpatrick, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the state, praying for a law authorizing trials of the speed of horses;

Read, and referred to a committee on that subject.

Mr. Cruser, presented a petition from a number of the inhabitants of the counties of Somerset and Middlesex, relative to the boundary line between said counties;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Cruser, Kline, and Ward.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, presented the abstract of ratables from the county of Middlesex, ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Kline, presented the abstract of ratables from the county of Somerset, ordered to lie on table.

Mr. Hinchman, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Gloucester, for the repeal of a certain law, relative to the bridge over Mantua Creek, at a place called Crown Point in said county;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Hinchman, Hurley, and Fithian.

Mr. Earl, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee appointed under a resolution of this House to enquire whether any, and if any, what amendments are necessary to the militia laws of this state, be instructed to enquire into the expediency of so altering the militia law, that not more than one days duty shall be required in each year;

Read and agreed to.

House adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Howell, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Middlesex, for a law authorizing the erection of a toll bridge over South River;

Read, and committed to Messrs. Howell, Farlee, and Van Winkle.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, presented a remonstrance from a number of the inhabitants of the county of Middlesex, against the erection of a bridge over South River;

Read, and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Jeffers, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Salem, for a law authorizing the erection of a bridge over Salem Creek;

Read, and committed to Messrs. Jeffers, Ireland, and Foster.

Mr. Summers, with leave, presented a bill to increase the representation of the county of Warren in this House;

Read, and committed to Messrs. Summers, Merkle, and Swing.

House adjourned to Thursday morning, 10 o'clock.

THURSDAY, January 7, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Hinchman, presented a remonstrance against the repeal of the law relative to the bridge over Mantua Creek, in the county of Gloucester;

Read, and referred to committee on that subject.

Mr. Vail, presented a petition from the inhabitants of Paterson and its vicinity, for a law authorizing a Rail Road from thence to Hudson river;

Read, and referred to committee on that subject.

Mr. Hornblower, presented a petition from inhabitants of Aquackanock township, in the county of Essex, for a division of said township;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Hornblower, Evans, and Monro.

Mr. Summers, presented a petition from inhabitants of Warren county, for an incorporation of the Washington Aqueduct Company;

Read, and committed to Messrs. Summers, Howell, and Townsend.

Mr. Van Winkle, presented a petition from William Durant, for a law to authorize certain persons to convey real estate;

Read, and committed to Messrs. Van Winkle, Kirkpatrick, and Little.

Mr. Hornblower, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the township of Caldwell, in Essex county, for a supplement to the law relative to the enclosing certain low-lands in said township, called Hetfield Swamp;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Hornblower Wick, and Davis.

The petition of the heirs of Elizabeth Dunham, relative to her pension,

Was called up, and referred to Messrs. Jackson, Potts, and Wells.

Mr. Jeffers, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Salem, relative to the fees taken in the Court of Chancery;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Jeffers, Nevius, and Mickle.

The Speaker presented a communication from the Hon. Andrew Kirkpatrick, concerning the revision of certain laws, committed to him by a resolution of this House;

Ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to divorce Phebe Marks, from her husband Joseph Marks,

Was called up, read a second time, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

Mr. Mickle from committee, reported a bill to establish a rail road from Camden to South Amboy;

Read, and ordered second reading.

Mr. Hinchman, from committee, reported a bill to repeal the act preventing horse racing in this state;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Jeffers, from committee, reported a bill to authorize the Chosen Freeholders of the county of Salem, to build a bridge over Salem Creek, in said county;

Read, and ordered second reading.

Ordered, That the vacancy in the committee on the Judiciary, occasioned by the appointment of Peter D. Vroom, jr. esq. to the office of Governor, be filled;

Whereupon Mr. Hornblower was accordingly appointed.

Mr. Ireland, presented a petition from Thompson Price, a revolutionary soldier, for relief;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Ireland, Bennett, and Warren.

Mr. Hornblower, with leave, presented a bill respecting the confession of judgments on bond and warrant of attorney;

Read, and ordered second reading, and to be printed.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Potts, presented petitions from inhabitants of Hunterdon county, against the appointment of members of this House to offices of profit and emolument;

Read, and committed to Messrs. Potts, Hancock, and Black.

Mr. Jeffers, presented a petition from Stacy Lloyd, for a law to authorize the said Stacy to convey real estate, as administrator of Samuel Lloyd, dec.;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Jeffers, Vail, and Vliet.

Mr. Vail, presented a petition from sundry persons, for a law to make a turnpike, to begin in the township of Saddle River, in Bergen county, and end at Paterson, in Essex county;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Vail, Hillard, and Hopper.

Mr. Summers, from committee, reported a bill to increase the representation of Warren county in this House;

Read, and ordered second reading.

Mr. Cruser, from committee, reported a bill relative to the boundary line between the counties of Middlesex and Somerset;

Read, and ordered second reading, and to be printed.

A Message from his Excellency, the Governor, was presented by the speaker, which was read, together with the documents accompanying the same,

Ordered, to lie on the table, and five hundred copies of the message to be printed for the use of the House.

Gentlemen of the Council
and General Assembly:

Having again assembled together to transact the business of our constituents, permit me to tender to you my respectful salutations; and to unite with you in gratitude to that kind Providence which has kept us during our separation; and whose goodness is so abundantly manifested in the general happiness and prosperity of our state and country.

You are convened as the representatives of freemen. The rights and interests of the people have been committed to your care, and the trust is one of the most interesting and responsible that can be conferred. Coming from different parts of the state, you are specially charged with the local interests of every portion of the community; while at the same time, the more prominent and weighty concerns of the republic, will call for the exercise of careful attention and deliberate advisement.

One of the primary objects of legislation, in a free government, is to provide for the diffusion of useful knowledge. Intelligence is the companion of virtue, and these together, form the safe pillars of the state; whereas, ignorance is the parent of vice pauperism and crime. Feeling the importance of extending instruction to all classes of citizens, former legislatures carefully husbanded the resources of the state, and laid the foundation of a fund which was to be appropriated to that interesting object. This fund was increased by the constant addition of its interest, and by occasional appropriations, until the last session of the legislature, when it amounted to about two hundred and twenty-two thousand dollars. It was considered at that time advisable to commence a system of common school instruction throughout the state. The sum of twenty thousand dollars was ordered to be appropriated annually for that purpose; and to be distributed among the several townships in proportion to the state tax paid by them respectively—on condition that at their annual town-meetings, they should resolve to raise money in aid of such appropriation. The law was passed at a late period of the session, owing to which and to some difference of opinion as to its construction, its operation has been partial and limited. A number of the townships have done nothing. Some have raised small sums; while others, supposing that the benefits of the system would be immediately felt, raised from five hundred to one thousand dollars.

It is to be regretted, that any difficulty or disappointment should have taken place on a subject of some delicacy, and of so much interest. The whole matter will doubtless come under review at the present sitting; and when the law shall have been so modified as to render its operation more simple and definite, I fondly hope it will meet the approbation of the community at large, and accomplish the benevolent object for which it was intended.

New-Jersey is one of the small states of the Union. Her character at home, and her influence in the Councils of the Nation, must depend greatly on the intelligence and enterprise of her citizens. And it is not only the duty, but the high privilege of her legislators to open up the various channels through which the fertilising streams of knowledge may flow; imparting, as they assuredly will, health, vigour, and prosperity, to every part of the body politic.

In a government like ours, public sentiment is the controlling power. It is always honest, but apt to be misled. To render it safe, it should be enlightened.

Another subject, which calls for the attention and wisdom of the legislature, is the prevention and punishment of crimes. By our code, crimes are generally punished by imprisonment at hard labour in the state prison. Imprisonment in the cells has been abandoned as injurious to the prisoners and the state. Experience has shewn, that well directed labour, in the day time, with strict seclusion at night, tends more to the advantage of the convict, and subjects the state to a lighter burthen.

It is manifest, however, that in our efforts, we are far behind the improvements of the age. The subject of prisons, generally, com-

prising their structure. discipline, and expense, as also, their security and tendency to reform, has of late years, excited much interest. Benevolence has embraced it within her extending sphere; and the mild charities of religion, penetrating the abodes of misery and vice, have given light and aid to the law-giver and statesman. It is now ascertained, that those prisons which are so constructed and managed, as to keep the convicts actively engaged, without the means of communication in working hours, and at all other times entirely separate, and in which religious instruction is faithfully and tenderly communicated, are those which are most feared, by the abandoned, and least expensive to the community; and what is of paramount importance, they are those, in which the reformation of the offender is most frequently effected.

Penitentiaries upon the old plan, in which every prisoner can communicate in the course of the day, with his fellow prisoners, and where, from necessity. a number are enclosed together, in the same apartment, during the night, have no terrors for those who are already hardened in profligacy and crime. The temporary loss of liberty, ceases to be a privation to them, when mingling with kindred spirits, they rehearse the daring, or craftiness, of former achievements, or devise plans for the accomplishment of future mischief. The young soon lose all sense of shame, and are gradually initiated in all the mysteries of villainy; while the old add crime to crime, until reformation becomes hopeless. Such institutions are schools of vice, and offences of the most aggravated character, are often committed within their very walls. They are also expensive. Not being able to support themselves, they are a continual tax upon the people. In some states the burthen has been very great.

The State of New-Jersey has paid as much for the support of her Penitentiary, as any other state of the same population. The expense for the last thirty years, inclusive of the cost of buildings, may be estimated at a sum little less than one hundred and sixty-six thousand dollars. In this sum are included officers' fees. and the costs of prosecution and transportation. The annual cost has sometimes constituted a third, and frequently a fourth part. of all the tax raised for the support of the government. And although the expense for the last few years has not been so great as formerly, it has averaged at least five thousand dollars per annum. It is supposed that the loss for the last year, will be still further diminished, but it is not expected that the state will be sensibly relieved under the present system. We have had, and still have, faithful keepers, and men of high character and integrity as inspectors. It is not known that any thing has been omitted on their part. The radical fault is in the construction of the building. To this the discipline and management of the prisoners must be, in a great measure, conformed; and while these remain, as they now are, but little improvement can be expected.

It is a remarkable fact, that the prisons lately constructed in New-York and the Eastern states, instead of being a loss to the states in which they are situated, are actually yielding a revenue.

The new prison at Weathersfield, in Connecticut, afforded a profit, last year, after paying all expenses, of three thousand dollars. The old one was an expense to the state of eight thousand dollars per annum.

These matters, connected, as they are, with the finances of the state, and the moral character of our citizens, will, I have no doubt, receive at your hands the attention they merit. The committee to whom the accounts of the State Prison were referred at the last sitting, were specially authorized to enquire into all the concerns of the institution. Their zeal and intelligence will supply you with additional information on this interesting subject; and, I trust, recommend to you the adoption of some measures, that may speedily relieve the people from an onerous item of taxation.

The subject of internal improvement, is one that is engaging the attention of most of our sister states, and its spirit is literally moving all around us. New-Jersey, as a state, has not yet commenced her operations. The Morris Canal is the only prominent work that has been undertaken, even by individuals. And it is a matter of pride and gratulation, that, notwithstanding many difficulties, this effort is likely to prove successful. It is expected the Canal will be completed during the next season; and when completed, it cannot fail to prove a blessing to those portions of country through which it will pass, and a benefit to the state.

The expediency of constructing a Canal through the state to unite the waters of the Delaware and Raritan, will again come under your consideration. It is a question which has long agitated the public mind and the councils of the state—and it is desirable that it should be settled.

It is not my intention, any more than it is my province, to enter into a discussion of its merits. My own sentiments in relation to it, have been freely expressed, and are well known. I may, however, be permitted to remark, that it seems to be conceded that a water communication from the Delaware to the Raritan, will sooner or later be made. Whether this is the propitious time to commence the work, is the grave inquiry which will be submitted to your reflection. Our sister states around us, are pressing onward with laudable emulation and zeal, in their various systems of internal improvement; and much wisdom may be learned from what they have done, and also from what they have failed to accomplish; from their disappointments as well as their success. It is a subject of deep interest, whether viewed in its relation to the character, or resources of the state; and it requires to be approached with enlarged and liberal views of public policy and general good. It should be acted on, not merely in reference to our own individual interests, but to those of posterity; having at the same time a wise regard to our character as a sovereign state, and to our situation and duties as a member of the most enterprising and prosperous Republic on the earth.

The propriety of a rail-way from some point on the Delaware near Philadelphia, to a point on the Raritan, near Amboy, will also claim your attention. The mode of communication by means of rail-

ways, is one of later origin, in this country, and its claims rest on the more recent improvements of the age. These claims are nevertheless full of interest, and well merit the dispassionate consideration of the Legislature. If it shall be found that a rail-road across the state will advance the interest of the community, all necessary and proper measures in relation to it will doubtless find a cordial support.

At the last session, a law was passed authorizing the appointment of commissioners to treat with the state of Pennsylvania, in regard to the use of the waters of the Delaware River. A similar law was passed by the legislature of the state of Pennsylvania; and commissioners were accordingly appointed by each state. The result of their deliberations has been the formation of a compact, for the use of the waters above tide. This agreement, signed by all the commissioners, appears to be just and liberal in its provisions, and is indicative of that mutual respect and confidence, which should always regulate the intercourse of sovereign states.

Accompanying the report of the commissioners is a recommendation, signed by all the commissioners on the part of this state, and by a majority of those representing the state of Pennsylvania, and addressed to the legislatures of both states, the object of which is to procure the passage of similar laws, authorising the improvement of the navigation of the Delaware river, below the falls of Trenton, in such manner as to interpose no obstruction to the natural navigation, or the passage of fish. This recommendation, together with the report of the commissioners, and the original agreement, are herewith submitted for your consideration.

In pursuance of a joint resolution entered into at the last session, requesting the executive to make application to the government of the United States, to cause a survey to be made by the board of engineers, of the grounds and streams lying upon, or contiguous to, the probable route of the contemplated canal from the Delaware to the Raritan, a letter was addressed to the department of war early in June last, respectfully requesting the attention of the general government, to the subject embraced in the resolution. Within the same month, an answer was received from the engineer department (to which the application had been referred by the secretary of war) stating that the engagements of the board of engineers, and also of the other officers of the department, were such, as to render it impracticable at that time to effect the object of the resolution; but, that the application would be kept in view, and claim the attention of the department, as soon as circumstances might permit.

For many years past, difficulties have existed between the states of New-York and New-Jersey, in relation to the eastern boundary of this state. Various efforts have been made by the state of New-Jersey, to effect an amicable adjustment on such terms as it was conceived, would be safe, honorable, and advantageous to both parties. These efforts having failed of success, the alternative was presented, of tamely submitting to the pretensions of the state of New-York, and acknowledging her sovereignty and jurisdiction, up to high water mark on our own shores, or bringing the matters in controversy before the highest legal tribunal of the country. The path of

honour and duty was plain; and the legislature, in March 1828, passed an act requiring the Attorney General to institute proceedings against the state of New-York, in the Supreme Court of the United States. A suit has accordingly been commenced on the Equity side of the Court, and able counsel have been retained to aid the proper law officer of the state. No further progress has as yet been made; and as the matter is one of great interest, and the Supreme Court holds one term only in a year, some time must necessarily elapse before the question can be settled.

It is a proof of the great wisdom of our forefathers, that a tribunal has been provided, in which the conflicting claims of the different members of the confederacy, may be amicably adjusted; and it is a matter of just pride, that the reputation of that august tribunal for wisdom, integrity, and independence, is such as to guaranty to states as well as individuals, a liberal and fearless administration of justice. In such a court our rights will be respected, and there is every reason to anticipate a favorable issue.

The great number of applications that are made every year to the legislature, for the procurement of laws dissolving the marriage contract has become the subject of unfavourable remark both abroad and at home; and I beg leave to recommend it to your serious reflection.

It was formerly supposed that the expense of prosecuting a bill in equity to obtain a divorce, prevented an easy access to that court, and induced so many to seek redress before the legislature.

To remedy this, an act was passed in 1824, simplifying the proceedings in Chancery in cases of divorce, and greatly lessening the expenses of suit, and providing further, that when the parties were poor, no cost, whatever should be charged against them. It was hoped that this act would prove a relief to the legislature, especially as the general reason assigned for coming before them, was the poverty of the applicants. This reasonable hope has been disappointed. Experience has shewn that the number of petitions presented now, is greater than before the passing of that law. Does not this prove, that it is the greater facility with which divorces may be obtained, and not the avoidance of expense, which induces so many applications to the legislature?

The mode of proceeding in these cases is not favourable to the investigation of truth; and there is reason to fear that in some instances parties connive with each other, and make false acknowledgments and declarations for the purpose of furnishing evidence to effect their improper designs. And if so, it is natural they should resort to that tribunal, in which the hazard of detection would be the smallest.

Without questioning the right of the legislature to dissolve the marriage contract, I may be permitted to observe, that frequent divorces are unfavourable to the happiness as well as the morals of the community. The sacredness of the marriage engagement is one of the strong bonds of society; and whenever it shall come to be considered merely as an ordinary civil contract, which either party may abandon almost at pleasure, the little burdens of life will soon

become insupportable; new causes for separation will be continually presented, and the fountains of domestic enjoyment and social order be broken up.

Since the last session of the legislature, communications have been received from the executives of the states of Virginia and Mississippi enclosing resolutions adopted by the legislatures of the said states respectively, on the subject of the tariff laws of the United States; and also from the executives of the states of Vermont, Louisiana and Missouri, enclosing resolutions relative to an alteration of that part of the constitution of the United States, which directs the mode of choosing the President and Vice President; and also from the executive of the state of Missouri, enclosing resolutions in relation to the power of Congress, to appropriate money in aid of the American colonization society; all of which are herewith submitted.

In closing this communication, I beg leave to assure you of my cordial co-operation in all measures tending to the public welfare; and I sincerely hope, that in all our deliberations we may have reference to our ultimate responsibilities as men, and be guided by that wisdom which is profitable to direct.

Trenton, Jan. 7, 1830. P. D. VROOM, jun.

The bill to divorce James I. Compton from his wife,
Was called up and re-committed.
House adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. Friday January 8th.

FRIDAY, January 8, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Bennett, presented the petition of George W. Hall, Seth T. Barstow, and Solomon Brown, for an act to incorporate the Polytechnic Institute of Shrewsbury, Monmouth county, New-Jersey;

Read, and committed to Messrs. Bennett, Jeffers, and Kline.

Mr. Van Winkle presented a petition from Edwin W. Jackson for a divorce from his wife Mary;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Van Winkle, Schenck, and West.

Mr. Little, presented a petition from Mary Camp, for a divorce from her husband;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Little, Wells, and Hurley.

Mr. Hornblower, from committee, reported a supplement to the law relating to Hetfield Swamp in the county of Essex;

Read, and ordered second reading.

It was further ordered that the printing of the bill be dispensed with.

No. 7. Of unfinished business, being "An act to incorporate the Woodstown Fire Engine Company of Salem County,

Was called up, read and ordered a second reading.

Ordered, That the documents accompanying the Governor's message, relating to the arrangement lately made with the State of Pennsylvania, relative to the waters of the River Delaware, be referred to a committee, whereupon Messrs. Nevius, Potts, and Earl were appointed.

Ordered, That the remaining documents accompanying the message of the Governor be referred to a committee of five, and Messrs. Jackson, Hornblower, Black, Jeffers, and Kirkpatrick were accordingly appointed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill, entitled "An act to authorize the erection of a dam and water works across the creeks or guts, included within the main forks of Antuxet Creek, in the county of Cumberland," and request the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to authorize the erection of a dam and water works across the creeks and guts, included within the main forks of Antuxet Creek, in the county of Cumberland,"

Was read, and ordered a second reading.

No. 15. Of unfinished business, being a "report of the committee on the subject of John Den's Canal in the county of Salem,"

Was called up and dismissed.

Mr. Hornblower, from Committee, reported a supplement to the law concerning landlords and tenants;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The bill supplemental to the law directing the mode of entering judgments upon bonds and warrants of attorney to confess judgments,

Was called up, read a second time, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

The House adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Jackson, presented a petition from the "Oyster Company of Perth Amboy,"

Read, and referred to Messrs. Jackson, Jeffers, and Howell.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council, that this House have appointed the preceding committee, and that Council be requested to appoint a corresponding committee.

Mr. Van Winkle, from committee, reported a bill to authorize Thomas Benton and Henry Andrew, to convey certain real estate in Jersey City, in Bergen county;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, from committee, reported a bill for the relief of David Mercereau;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Jackson, from committee, to whom was referred the petition of the heirs of Elizabeth Dunham, made the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition and memorial of Ananias Cooper, Phebe Crosby, and Jonathan K. Horton, heirs at law of Elizabeth Dunham, late Elizabeth Horton, deceased, beg leave to report, that they consider the claim of the said Elizabeth, as fully and amply settled, in and by the act of Assembly, passed 6th February 1818, entitled "An act for the relief of Elizabeth Dunham late Elizabeth Horton;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, from committee, reported a bill to amend the act concerning Inns and Taverns;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Potts, from committee, reported a bill relative to members of the Legislative Council and General Assembly of N. J.

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

No. 9. Of unfinished business, being "An act to erect a new county from parts of Essex, Bergen, and Morris, to be called Paterson,"

Was called up and referred to Messrs. Vail, Hopper, and Hancock.

Mr. Nevius, offered a preamble and resolution relating to the revision of the laws relating to the Ordinary and Surrogates;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill relating to the poor of the county of Salem,

Was called up and ordered to be printed.

Mr. Earl offered a resolution relative to the purchase by the state, of "Halsteds Digested Index," to the decisions of the Superior Courts of the State of New-Jersey;

Ordered, To lie on the table.

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock, A. M. on Monday 11th January, 1830.

MONDAY, January 11, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Nevius, presented a memorial from inhabitants of Somerset, respecting absconding servants;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Nevius, Vliet, and Davis.

Mr. Hopper, presented a petition from Fanny B. Smock, for a divorce from her husband;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Hopper, Chetwood, and Wick.

Mr. Chetwood. presented a petition from Peter Clark for a divorce from his wife;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Chetwood, Cruser, and Evans.

Mr. Hornblower, presented a petition from the Newark and Pompton Turnpike Company;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Hornblower, Hillard, and Ward.

Mr. Potts, from Canal Committee, reported a bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Canal Commissioners;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The supplement to the act respecting Hetfield Swamp,

Was called up, read a second time, and a further consideration of same postponed.

Ordered, that the same be recommitted.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Hornblower, presented a memorial and remonstrance from the Morris Canal and Banking Company, against the construction of a rail road from Paterson to the Hudson River;

Read, and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Black, presented a petition from the heirs of Joseph Frazier, dec. for a law to convey certain real estate;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Black, Mickle, and Chetwood.

Mr. Hopper, presented a petition from Patrick Quin, for relief from certain judgments against him in the county of Bergen;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Hopper, Hornblower, and Warren.

Mr. Mickle, presented a petition of sundry inhabitants of this state, for a rail road from Camden to South Amboy;

Ordered, To lie on the table.

Mr. Jackson, presented a petition from William Jackson and Silas D. Halsey, for an act of incorporation for manufacturing purposes;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Jackson, Van Winkle, and Schenck.

Mr. Van Winkle, from committee, reported a bill to dissolve the marriage contract between Edwin W. Jackson and Mary his wife;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Ordered, That the printing of the same be dispensed with.

Mr. Bennett, from committee, reported a bill to establish a literary institution at Shrewsbury in the county of Monmouth;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Hornblower, from committee, reported a bill supplemental to the act relating to Hetfield Swamp in Essex county;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to authorize the erection of a dam and water works across the creeks and guts included within the main forks of Antuxet Creek, in the county of Cumberland,"

Was read a second time, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

Mr. Chetwood, from committee, reported a bill to divorce Peter Clark from his wife Mary.

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, from committee, reported a supplement to the militia law;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The report of the committee on the petition of the heirs of Elizabeth Dunham,

Was called up and agreed to.

The resolution authorizing the treasurer to purchase "Halsted's Digested Index to the decisions of the Superior Courts of the State of New-Jersey,"

Was called up and a further consideration of the same postponed.

House Adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. January 12, 1830.

TUESDAY, January 12, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Black, from the committee, reported a bill to authorize certain persons to sell real estate late of Joseph Frazier, deceased;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Ordered, That the printing of the same be dispensed with.

Mr. Jackson, from committee, reported a bill to incorporate the Clinton Manufacturing Company;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Ellis, from committee, reported a bill to regulate the trials of the speed of Horses;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Little, from committee, reported a bill to divorce Mary Camp from her husband;

Read, and ordered a second reading;

Ordered, That the printing of the same be dispensed with.

Mr. Hopper, from committee, reported a bill to divorce Fanny B. Smock from her husband;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Ordered, That the printing of the same be dispensed with.

The bill to divorce Peter Clark from his wife Mary,

Was taken up, read a second time, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House that Council had appointed Messrs. Townsend and Howell on their part, in conjunction with the committee appointed by assembly, to consider of, and report on, the petition from the Oyster Company of Perth-Amboy.

Mr. Jeffers, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire if any, and

what, alterations are necessary in the laws relative to divorce from the bonds of matrimony;

Read, and agreed to, and Messrs. Jeffers, Hornblower, and Jackson, appointed.

Mr. Hornblower, presented the petition of Hannah McCrea, for a divorce from her husband James B. McCrea;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Potts, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a vault, or brick enclosure, be constructed in the cellar of the State-House, for the reception of ashes; and that the ashes removed from the fires in the Council and Assembly Rooms, and the Supreme Court Room, be deposited in said vault; and the door-keeper be authorized to contract with some suitable person to construct the same, at an expense not to exceed five dollars;

Read, and agreed to.

The bill relative to Hetfield Swamp, in the county of Essex,

Was called up, read a second time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Jeffers, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire if any, and what, alterations are expedient in an "An act relative to the Supreme and Circuit Courts;

Agreed to, and Messrs. Jeffers, Potts, and Hinchman, appointed.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to authorize the erection of a dam and water works across the creeks or guts included within the main forks of Antuxet creek, in the county of Cumberland,

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, amended, and ordered a third reading.

The supplement to the act relating to inns and taverns,

Was taken up, read a second time, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock, A. M.

WEDNESDAY, January 13, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Chetwood, presented a petition from sundry persons on the subject of Hawkers, Pedlars, and Petty Chapmen;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Chetwood, Kline, and Wells.

Mr. Earl, from committee, reported a bill to amend the Judiciary system;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Hornblower, from the joint committee, to whom was referred the subject of the representation in this House of the several counties in this state,

Reported, That they have conferred together on the subject committed to them, and given it, at least in some measure, the consideration its importance demanded. The framers of our constitution, while they apportioned three members to each county, and fixed the minimum number of delegates to the House of Assembly at thirty-nine, evidently contemplated, at some period, then future, a more just apportionment of members to the respective counties, and an increase of representation, when the independence and repose of the country should afford time for deliberate legislation on the subject. And, accordingly, in the 3d article of the constitution, they provided, "that if a majority of the representatives, in Council and General Assembly convened, shall at any time or times hereafter, judge it equitable and proper to add to, or diminish the number or proportion of the members of Assembly for any county or counties, then, and in such case, the same may on the principles of more equal representation, be lawfully done, any thing in this charter to the contrary notwithstanding; so that the whole number of representatives in Assembly, shall not at any time be less than thirty-nine." Your committee feel, therefore, that in submitting the bill accompanying this report, to the consideration of the House, they are but fulfilling the just expectations of those virtuous and patriotic men who framed the constitution. The period has fully arrived when it is time for us to adopt and act upon the purely republican, and the rational principle, that the free and independent electors ought to be represented in proportion to their numbers, irrespectively of their property or wealth. The principle difficulty your committee have met with in framing a bill, has been the proper ratio of population upon which to base the representation, and after mature deliberation, they have unanimously agreed, that 6000 is the proper ratio. By the terms of the resolution under which your committee have acted, we were required to adopt a system which should leave every county in the possession of as many members as they now have; and, consequently, a larger ratio of representation than one for every 6000 would make the desparity between the number of members that some counties would retain, and the number that some other counties would be restricted to, too great and unjust; while on the other hand, a ratio so small as to entitle every county to the number of members they now have, would call for so large a representation from the more populous counties, as would increase the number of members of the House of Assembly to an inconvenient extent. Your committee have, therefore, adopted the ratio of one member for every 6000 free inhabitants; and which, under the most liberal estimate of the result of the next census, will not give to this House more than 49 or 50 members, a number not

certainly too large for our present population, if in the wisdom of our political fathers, 39 were not too many for the then colony of New-Jersey; some of the committee, however, are of opinion, that some limitation to the number of members any county may be entitled to, ought to be made; the propriety of which measure will be submitted to the House for their consideration, in the details of the bill herewith reported.

JOSEPH C. HORNBLOWER,
Chairman of joint Committee.

Which report was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Evans, from committee, reported a bill to enable the owners of certain lands in the county of Sussex to drain the same;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to authorize the erection of a dam and water works across the creeks or guts, included within the main forks of Antuxet Creek, in the county of Cumberland,"

Was read a third time, and passed as amended, and ordered to be sent to Council for their concurrence to the amendments.

The bill to establish the boundary line between parts of the counties of Middlesex and Somerset,

Was read a second time, and gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The supplement to the act entitled "An act to authorize the enclosure of a certain tract of land, situate in the township of Caldwell, in the county of Essex, called the Hetfield Swamp," passed January 28th eighteen hundred and twenty nine;

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Kline,
	Black,		Little,
	Chetwood,		Merkle,
	Cruser,		Monro,
	Davis,		Potts,
	Earl,		Schenck,
	Evans,		Swing,
	Fithian,		Townsend,
	Foster,		Vail,
	Hinchman,		Vliet,
	Hopper,		Van Winkle,
	Hornblower,		Ward,
	Hurley,		Warren,
	Jackson,		West,
	Jeffers,		Wick,
	Kirkpatrick,		Wurts, Speaker—32

NAYS.

Messrs.	Ellis,		Mickle,
	Hancock,		Summers—5.
	Ireland,		

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The bill to establish a literary institution at Shrewsbury in the county of Monmouth,

Was read a second time, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

The bill for constructing a rail road from Camden to South Amboy,

Was taken up, read a second time;

And on the question of inserting the name of James Cook of Middlesex, in the blank in the first section,

It was decided by yeas and nays in the negative, 18 for, and 19 against it;

When the House adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill entitled "An act to empower Isaac Smith, guardian of Aaron Griggs, to sell certain real estate of his ward; and also, the bill entitled "An act to divorce Catharine Beavers, of the county of Warren, from her husband Frederick Beavers," to which bills they request the concurrence of the House of Assembly; also, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to authorize the President of the Council of Proprietors in West Jersey to administer oaths and affirmations to witnesses in certain cases," without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to empower Isaac Smith, guardian of Aaron Griggs, to sell certain real estate of his ward,"

Was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to divorce Catharine Beavers, of tha county of Warren, from her husband Frederick Beavers,"

Was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. West, presented a remonstrance from sundry inhabitants of Monmouth county, against a law authorizing horse racing;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The speaker, presented the following report from the trustees of the school fund;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table, and 200 copies of the same to be printed.

To the Honorable the Legislative Council and General Assembly of the State of New-Jersey:

The following report is respectfully submitted, by "The Trustees for the support of Free Schools:"

The fund which is confided to the management of "The Trustees

for the support of Free Schools," was originally created by "An act directing the investment of certain moneys belonging to this state," passed the 9th February, A. D. 1816. (Rev. Laws 600.) This law directed the treasurer of the state, to invest, in the public six per cent. stock of the United States, the sum of $15,000.00 arising from the payment of the funded debt of the United States; and from the dividends on the shares held by the state, in the capital stock of the Trenton Banking Company; and also, at the end of every year, to invest the amount which should be received from said funded debt and bank stock. The state then held twelve hundred shares in the Trenton Bank.

In the succeeding year, on the 12th February, 1817, the "Act to create a fund for free schools," was passed. (Rev. Laws, 612.) This law set apart and appropriated for the fund, the following items:—

1. The six per cent. stock of the U. S., which had been purchased, or should thereafter be purchased under the authority of the act of the 9th February, 1816, before mentioned.

2. The dividends thereafter to be received on the shares held by the state in the Cumberland Bank, and which were the bonus received when the charter was granted, by the act of the 15th February, 1816. (Pamphlet Laws, 48.)

3. The dividends on the stock held by the state, in "The Newark Turnpike Company." See Law 3d Dec. 1804. (Pamph. acts, 419.)

4. All moneys received on the sale of the house and lot belonging to the state, in the city of Jersey. Law 23d January, 1817. (Pamph. Laws, 18.)

5. One tenth part of all moneys thereafter raised by tax, for the use of the state.

And in order to increase the fund, created by these several items, the treasurer was directed, from time to time, to invest the money received from them in the public stocks of the United States, and to keep the account thereof, separate from the other moneys in his hands, as treasurer.

Under these two laws of 1816 and 1817, and until the passage of "An act to constitute and appoint trustees for the security and management of the fund for the support of free schools," on the 12th Feb. 1818, (Rev. Laws. 649,) the property was held "in the name and for the use of the state." This law appointed the Governor of the state, the Vice President of Council, the Speaker of the House of Assembly, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of the State, and their successors in office, for the time being, Trustees of the School Fund, by the name of "The Trustees for the support of Free Schools," and directed the Treasurer, within three months, to transfer the funds in his hands to them, to be held by them in trust, to be applied by them, or a majority of them, for the support of free schools in the state, in the mode thereafter to be prescribed by the legislature, and for no other use or purpose whatsoever. It also gave them power to put out to use, with sufficient security, all the moneys in the fund, but reserved to the legislature the authority to change the existing fund in their hands, for any public stock, which, in their opinion, would be more productive, and to change or dissolve

the trust at their pleasure. It also required an account of the management of the fund to be laid before the legislature, with the annual statement of the treasurer's accounts.

On the 26th November 1821, (Pamphlet Laws 10,) the trustees were authorized by a supplement to the law of 12th February, 1818, to invest all moneys in the school fund in public stock, bank stock or on private security; and the treasurer was directed to furnish to the trustees, on the first day of the stated annual meeting of the legislature, and at any other times required by them, a particular statement of the fund, containing an account of the stocks, and other securities, dates of investment, value of, and interest on the stocks and securities, together with an account of the moneys on hand.

In the law of 12th February, 1818, constituting the board of trustees, the items of which the fund should be composed, are enumerated. In addition to those mentioned in the law of 1817, they are the following:

6. The balance due on the old six per cent. stock of the United States, on the 12th February, 1817, with the amount received for interest and reimbursement of the same, since 9th February, 1816.

7. The three per cent. stock of the United States, belonging to the state, on the 12th February, 1817.

8. The shares of the state in the Trenton Bank, with the dividends since 9th February, 1816. These shares were originally subscribed for by the state, under the law passed 3d December, 1804. (Pamph. Laws 449.)

9. The shares of the state in the Cumberland Bank, with the dividends, since the 9th February, 1816—Law of 3d January, 1818. (Pamph. act, 49.)

10. All moneys which should be received from the foregoing items, future appropriations, and such gifts, grants, bequests and devises, as should be made for the purposes contemplated by the act.

11. One tenth part of the state tax for the year 1817. This specific appropriation of the tax for that year, and the apparent intent of the Legislature to enumerate all the items composing the fund, were regarded, by the Trustees, as a repeal of so much of the law of 1817, as related to the State Tax, and as precluding them from claiming the tenth part of the taxes raised in succeeding years, unless subsequently granted by the legislature. This construction of the law has been questioned, but whether just or not, it was acted upon, until the year 1824, when the legislature again appropriated the tenth part of the taxes, and it was received in the years 1825, 1826, and 1827, when the tax on bank stock was substituted in its place.

The school fund thus created, and transferred to the trustees, and which it was their duty to manage, amounted at that time, to about $113,238.78, and consisted of the following sums:

1. Six per cent. stock, U. S. purchased on the 15th April 1817, under the law of 1816,	$15,000 00
2. Six per cent. stock of U. S. purchased 23d June 1818, under the law of 1817,	16,224 15
3. Stock in Newark Turnpike Company,	12,500 00
4. Three per cent. stock of U. S.	7,009 12

5. Interest and reimbursement of the principal of the deferred six per cent. stock of U. S.	$7,810 73
6. Twelve hundred shares of the Trenton Bank Stock,	36,000 00
7. Forty shares in the Cumberland Bank.	2,000 00
8. Interest and dividends from the several stocks since 9th Feb. 1816,	10,429 66
9. Cash on hand, and one tenth of the state tax of 1817,	6,265 12
Amount,	$113,238 78

Since the transfer of this amount to the trustees, in 1818, there have been added, at various times, to the principal of the fund, the following items.

1. Sale of the house in the City of Jersey	$1,907 61
2. Twenty shares in the Sussex Bank, for the appropriation of which, to this fund, no specific provision appears in any act of the legislature, but it has been incorporated in the fund for many years. See "An act to establish the Sussex Bank, at Newton, in the county of Sussex." (Pamp. Laws of 1818, page 49.)	1,000 00
3. A donation from Wm. John Bell and Company, 1st June 1822,	23 15
4. Bonus under the "Act to establish the Peoples, Bank at Paterson," passed 11th Dec. 1824, (Pamph. Laws 35.) Received 26 Sept. 1825,	4,000 00
5. Under "An act to incorporate the Monmouth Bank," passed 28th December, 1824, (Pamph. Laws 118.) Received 9th June 1825.	800 00
6. Under an act of 22d Nov. 1824, authorizing a sale of part of the Government Lot in Trenton, (Pamph. Laws 27.) Received of S. R. Hamilton, 26 Sept. 1825,	1,061 00
7. Under "An act for the augmentation of the fund for the support of Free Schools," passed 28 Dec. 1824. (Pamph. Laws 117.)	
1. One tenth part of the state tax, and the tax on the Monmouth bank for the year 1826,	2,200 00
2. Same for the year 1827,	2,200 00
3. Same for the year 1828,	3,200 00
8. Under "An act to augment the fund for the support of Free Schools," passed 5th March 1828. (Pamph. Laws 172.) this act repealed that of 28 Dec. 1824, and in lieu of one-tenth of the state tax, gave all the tax from banking, insurance, and other incorporated Companies, which in the year 1829, amounted to,	11,709 58
And will hereafter amount annually to about 10,000.00	
In all	31,101 37
Which being added to the sum originally transferred to the trustees,	113,238 78
Gives the whole amount of appropriations by the legislature,	$144,240 15

From this sum, the School Fund has grown to its present amount under the management of the Trustees, by means of interest, dividends and profits, on the stock and property in their hands.

One sum appropriated by the Legislature, and one only, has been lost, and produced no benefit to the fund. On the 29th December, 1824, "An act to incorporate the New-Jersey Protection and Lombard Bank," (Pamph. Laws. 140) was passed, by which it was provided, that $25,000.00 should be paid to the Treasurer, in thirty days from and after commencing the operations of said company, to be appropriated to the School Fund. On the 21st May, 1825, the Trustees accepted a proposition to hypothecate $30,000.00 worth of shares, to secure the payment, and to take, as additional security, the bond of Daniel McLaren, jun. for the payment of the principal and interest, at six per cent., semi-annually, on the said $25,000.00, when the bank should go into operation, and the shares hypothecated were fully paid up; and if the six per cent. was not paid semi-annually, or any danger of loss was apprehended, the Treasurer was to demand payment of the whole amount, and sell after ten day's notice. The stock was hypothecated, and the bond was given, but the speedy insolvency of the institution and of McLaren, occasioned the entire loss of the whole sum.

In the management of the funds, great advantages has resulted from "an act directing the investment of the annual income of the School Fund in advance," passed the 18th Feb. 1829. (Rev. Laws 660.) It authorized the trustees, immediately to invest, for the benefit of the fund, $8,000.00, in anticipation of the moneys which should be received, during the year, and to invest on or before the first of March in every succeeding year, an amount as near as might be, equal to the estimated receipts of the fund during such year; the money for this investment to be advanced by the Treasurer out of the funds of the state, in his hands, and to be replaced by him in the treasury, as he received the money belonging to the fund from time to time. This law enabled the trustees to invest at one time all the income of the year; and to make that investment before the money was actually received by them.

It appears by the minutes of the trustees, and by the Records in the office of the treasurer of the state, that on the 22d November, 1821, when the transfer was made from the late to the present treasurer, the school fund amouuted to $131,892.51, and consisted of the following items:

250 shares of	Newark Turnpike Stock,	$12,500 00
1200 do.	Trenton Bank,	36,000 00
40 do.	Cumberland Bank,	2,000 00
20 do.	Sussex Bank,	1,000 00
6 per cent. stock of U. S. of various loans,		67,813 93
$10,142.80, of 3 per cent. stock, since sold for		7,810 73
Cash on hand,		4,767 85
		$131,892 51

It had, therefore, been increased $18,653.73, between Feb. 1818,

and November 1821, of which $8.907.64, arose from appropriations, and the balance $9,746.09, by interests and profits.

Since Nov. 1821, the government of the U. S. has paid off a large portion of the stock belonging to the fund, and other causes have co-operated to compel the trustees to change the stocks held by them. These changes have been annually presented to the legislature, in the accounts of the treasurer, and have been approved. The last statement bears date on the 29th October, 1829, and by it the fund was then shewn to consist of the following items:

Of 4½ per cent. stock of the U. S.	$126,122 50
6 per cent. stock of U. S.	24,586 22
Pennsylvania state stock of 5 per cent.,	75,000 00
Newark Turnpike Stock,	12,500 00
Trenton Bank Stock,	3,990 00
Cumberland Bank Stock,	2,000 00
Sussex Bank Stock,	1,000 00
Cash,	5 75
Amounting, in all, to	$245,204 47
If from this, we deduct the fund of 1821,	131,892 51
The increase in about 8 years, will be	$113,311 96

This increase has been produced by interest, dividends, and profits on the property, and by special appropriations.

1. Bonus from Peoples' Bank, received 26th Sept. 1825,	$4,000 00
2. Sale of lot in Trenton, received at same date,	1,061 00
3. Bonus from Monmouth Bank, received same date,	800 00
4. One tenth of state tax, and tax on Monmouth Bank, 1st Jan. 1826,	2,200 00
5. Same, 1st Jan. 1827,	2,200 00
6. Same, with premium on sale of Trenton Bank Stock, on 1st Jan. 1828,	10,200 00
7. Tax on Bank Stock, 1st Jan. 1829,	11,709 00
Amount of special appropriations,	$32,170 00
Which being deducted, leaves the increase, arising within the 8 years, from interest, profits, and dividends,	$81,141 96

All the special appropriations, last mentioned, have been so invested, as to produce five per cent. from the moment they were received by the Treasurer. And the necessary calculations, on the foregoing statement, will exhibit the gratifying fact, that the trustees have realized about 7½ per cent. per annum, on the whole amount intrusted to their management, on the 28th November, 1821. This result is to be attributed, principally, to two causes. 1. The care, promptness and prudence, with which all moneys, coming into the hands of the Treasurer, have been invested; thus securing interest upon the interest. 2. To the law of the 18th February, 1819, which enabled

the trustees to invest at the beginning of every year, the estimated amounts of the receipts of such year.

The first expenditure which has been directed out of the fund, was by the "act to establish common schools," passed 21st February, 1829. (Pamph. Laws 105.) It provided, in substance, that the trustees should, on or before the first Monday of April, in every year, appropriate $20,000 out of the income of the fund, and apportion it among the several counties in the ratio of the taxes paid by them, for the support of the government of the state; that the Treasurer should inform the collectors of the counties of the apportionment, that the collectors might, thereupon, draw for the portions of their respective counties; that the Board of Chosen Freeholders, in each county, should, at their annual meetings in each year, apportion it among the several townships in the ratio of the county tax paid by them; that the collectors of the townships should be notified of this apportionment, and should give information thereof to the inhabitants, at their next annual town-meetings; and that such townships as thereupon elected and chose to raise an additional sum, for the same object, should be entitled to draw their share from the county collector, and expend it, in the mode pointed out in the law.

The duties which devolved on the Trustees of the Fund, and on the Treasurer of the state under this law, were promptly executed. On the first Monday, the 6th day of April 1829, the sum of $20,000.00 was appropriated and apportioned among the several counties, on the principle prescribed by the Legislature.

To Bergen the sum of	$1,299 92
Essex	1,911 02
Middlesex	1,626 68
Monmouth	1,861 84
Somerset	1,321 43
Burlington	2,153 56
Gloucester	1,689 63
Cumberland	793 09
Salem	1,078 30
Cape-May	323 00
Hunterdon	2,267 92
Morris	1,568 01
Sussex	1,012 85
Warren	1,092 75
	$20,000 00

Immediately after this apportionment was made, the Treasurer gave the necessary and proper notices to the county collectors, and the money has since been subject to their drafts. One only of the collectors has yet drawn. On the 8th day of this month, the Treasurer paid to the order of the collector of Bergen county $,299.92, the sum which had been apportioned to that county. It is believed that one or more of the other collectors will call in a short time, but that the greater number will not, until after the town-meetings and

the annual meetings of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, in the next spring.

$18,700.08 of the last appropriation, are there unexpended; and the Trustees, must, in a short time, in compliance with the law, appropriate $20,000.00 more. There will then be $38,700.08, subject to the orders of the county collectors.

The time at which the law was passed, 21st February, 1829, and the appropriation made the 6th April, 1829, will satisfactorily account for the money not being drawn, without presuming that it is not the intention of the counties to avail themselves of the benefits tendered to their acceptance. They have not yet had an opportunity of complying with all the provisions of the law, which authorize the expenditure of the money; and the collectors are, probably, unwilling to keep it in their hands, in an unproductive, and in some instances, hazardous condition.

The trustees would respectfully suggest, that the law might be amended, so as to give greater activity and efficiency to the plan adopted by the legislature. There is no guide or rule to regulate the amounts to be raised by the several townships, which is to authorize them to receive their allotted portion. One dollar raised for the object, is as effectual as one thousand. And the times fixed in the law, for the different duties to be performed, create delay and difficulty. The townships cannot call on the county collectors, until they have been informed of the sums apportioned to them respectively, and have thereupon elected to raise an additional sum by tax. This information cannot be given to them after the apportionment is made, and before the town-meetings in the Spring. The appropriation therefore, unless made long before the first Monday in April, must lie unexpended, until the succeeding year. The legislature, it is hoped, will provide a remedy for this inconvenience. It is proper to remark, however, that it is not an inconvenience which will occasion much loss to the fund; because the trustees will be able in most cases, to keep the amounts which shall be appropriated, invested in stock until they shall be actually paid to the county collectors, who will not probably draw for the money until they are prepared to pay it to the township collectors.

The following statement will shew the effect on the fund, which will be produced by the two first appropriations under the law:

On the 29th Oct. 1829, the fund amounted to The whole of which was productive capital.	$215,204 47
The 6 per cent. stock of the U. S., forming a part of that capital, was redeemable on the first day of this month, and may now be considered as cash on hand, to be paid out under the law, or again invested in other stock,	$21,586 22
On or before the first of February next, there will be received for interest, dividends, and bank stock,	14,333 27

The proceeds of the next three quarters, which the trustees may, by law, anticipate, will probably amount to about	8,000 00
	$46,919 49
Out of this sum will be taken the appropriations of the last and of the present year,	40,000 00
	$6,919 49

The balance, the Trustees have directed the Treasurer to invest immediately. They will await the decision of the Legislature, before they make any disposition of the remainder of the $40,000.00

After the $6,919.49 shall have been invested, the productive capital of the school fund will be about $227,537.74 ; the interest and dividends on which, with the bank tax, will hereafter be sufficient to meet the annual appropriation of $20,000.00, without any diminution of the principal of the Fund.

All which is respectfully submitted.

P. D. VROOM, jr.
EDWARD CONDICT,
ALEX. WURTS,
SAML. L. SOUTHARD,
DANL. COLEMAN.

Trenton, 12th Jan. 1830.

The consideration of the Rail Road bill was resumed.

Ordered, That the vote respecting the insertion in the blank of the first section, of the name of James Cook, be re-considered ; when it was ordered, that the name of James Cook, of Middlesex, be inserted in the blank of the first section.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock, Thursday morning.

THURSDAY, January 14, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Potts, offered the following resolution :—

Resolved, That the committee, to whom was referred the report of the committee of the last legislature, on the memorial of certain citizens of the county of Hunterdon, complaining of the official conduct of Henry Miller, Esq. a Justice of the Peace of said county, together with the said memorial and accompanying documents, be empowered to send for persons and papers for examination in said case ;

Agreed to.

Mr. Kline, presented a petition from Mary Smith, of Somerset

county, for a divorce from her husband Peter T. Smith;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Kline, Jeffers, and Mickle.

Mr. Davis, offered a resolution relative to the joining in matrimony of negroes or mulattoes with white persons, by ministers of the gospel and magistrates;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Hancock, offered the following resolution:—

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire what alterations, if any, are requisite in the act entitled, "An act for the preservation of sheep," passed the 9th of June, 1820;

Read, and agreed to, and Messrs. Hancock, Warren, and Ireland, appointed.

Mr. Earl, offered the following resolution, as a substitute for one on the same subject offered by him on the 8th inst.:—

Resolved, That the treasurer be authorized to purchase fifty copies of Halsted's Digested Index to the decisions of the Superior Courts of the State of New-Jersey, and distribute them in the manner following, to wit:—To the Governor, one copy; to each of the Judges of the Supreme Court, one copy; to the Clerk of Chancery, one copy; to the Clerk of the Supreme Court, one copy; to the Clerks of each county, one copy for the use of the Courts of Common Pleas; and to the Surrogates of each county, one copy, for the use of the Orphans' Court of each county; to the State Library, sixteen copies, for the use of the Legislature and the Court of Errors, and payment to be provided for in the incidental bill;

Agreed to.

Ordered, That the documents, that accompanied the Message of the Governor, relative to the late arrangement with the State of Pennsylvania, be printed for the use of the House.

Mr. Jeffers, with leave, presented a bill relative to joint tenants, and tenants in common;

Read, and ordered second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Van Winkle, with leave, reported a bill relative to the taking of acknowledgments;

Read, and ordered second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Potts, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee be appointed to inquire whether any, and if any, what alterations are necessary in the act constituting courts for the trial of small causes, and the several supplements thereto;

Ordered, To lie on the table.

Mr. Chetwood, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire and report what alterations, if any are necessary, in the act entitled "An act to secure to creditors an equal and just division of the estates of debtors who convey to assignees, for the benefit of creditors;"

Agreed to, and Messrs. Chetwood, Ellis, and Schenck appointed.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act for altering and re-settling the boundary line between parts of the counties of Middlesex and Somerset,

Was read a third time and compared;
And on the question shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.
Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The consideration of the bill for constructing a rail road from Camden to South Amboy was resumed.

On agreeing to the 12th section of said bill, allowing said company to make a lateral road from the main line of said road to the Borough of Bordentown, after the whole line from Amboy to Camden, was completed, the yeas and nays being called, it was agreed to, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Jeffers,
Black,	Merkle,
Earl,	Mickle,
Ellis,	Monroe,
Evans,	Swing,
Foster,	Townsend,
Hinchman,	Vail,
Hopper,	Warren,
Hurley,	West,
Ireland,	Wick—21.
Jackson,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Chetwood,	Messrs. Nevius,
Cruser,	Potts,
Davis,	Schenck,
Fithian,	Summers,
Hancock,	Vliet,
Hornblower,	Ward,
Kirkpatrick,	Wells,
Kline,	Wurts, speaker—17.
Little,	

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House, that Council had agreed to the amendments made by the House of Assembly, to the bill entitled "An act to authorize the erection of a dam and water works across the creeks or guts included with the main forks of Antuxet creek, in the county of Cumberland, and had caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

Mr. Potts, presented petitions from inhabitants of the county of Hunterdon, against daming the river Delaware as contemplated in the report of the commissioners now before the House;

Read, and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Howell, presented a remonstrance from inhabitants of the county of Middlesex, against the law granting jurisdiction over oyster grounds, to individuals;

Read, and referred to committee on that subject.

The resolution, relative to courts for the trial of small causes, was called up and agreed to; and Messrs. Potts, Howell, and Wick, appointed as the committee.

The bill for constructing a rail road from Camden to South-Amboy, was taken up and progressed in, and the same postponed on the 15th section.

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to request Mr. Dwight to lecture before the House, on the subject of prison discipline;

Whereupon Mr. Hilliard was accordingly appointed.

Ordered, That Council be informed of, and be invited to participate in the same; after which lecture,

House adjourned to 10 o'clock, A. M. on Friday morning, Jan. 15th.

FRIDAY, January 15, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Van Winkle, presented a petition from inhabitants of Bergen county, relative to the fisheries in Newark Bay;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Van Winkle, Vail, and Summers.

Mr. Mickle, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of Camden, for an alteration in the act entitled "An act securing to Mechanics and others, payment for their labour and materials, in erecting any house or building within the limits therein mentioned," passed 25th February, 1820;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Mickle, Kirkpatrick, and Monro.

Mr. Potts, presented petitions from inhabitants of the county of Hunterdon, relative to the law for opening and establishing roads;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Potts, Schenck, and Swing.

Mr. Hopper, presented a memorial from the New Barbadoes Toll Bridge Company;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Hopper, Chetwood, and Evans.

Mr. Nevius, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill abolishing imprisonment for debt, in certain cases;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Nevius, also, from the same committee, reported that the bill previously on the files of the House, on the same subject, be dismissed;

Agreed to.

Mr. Nevius, from the committee to whom was referred the petition from Somerset, relative to absconding servants,

Reported, That the "Act respecting apprentices and servants, passed the 14th day of March, 1798," apply to the cases referred to in the memorial, and that it is inexpedient to extend the provisions of said act;

Agreed to.

Mr. Chetwood, from committee, reported a bill concerning Hawkers, Pedlars, and Petty Chapmen;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Jackson, from committee, reported a bill to protect and defend the public revenue of the State, and for other purposes;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Ward, from committee, reported a bill to incorporate the Fairfield and Paterson Turnpike Company;

Read, and ordered second reading.

The bill for the construction of a rail road from Camden to South-Amboy, was taken up, progressed in, and while under consideration,

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Little, from committee, reported a bill to divorce James I. Compton, from his wife Phebe;

Read, and ordered second reading, and printing dispensed with.

Mr. Van Winkle, presented a remonstrance against a rail road from Paterson to the Hudson river;

Read, and referred to committee on that subject.

Mr. Davis, offered a resolution authorizing the Treasurer of the State, to insure the State House, Library, and Public Arms;

Ordered to lie on the table.

The Camden and Amboy rail road bill was taken up, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be postponed until Tuesday the 26th instant.

House adjourned to Saturday morning, 10 o'clock.

SATURDAY, January 16, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Summers, presented a petition from inhabitants of Warren county, for the establishment of a bank at Belvidere, in said county;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Summers, Nevius, and Merkle.

Mr. Hopper, presented a remonstrance from inhabitants of Bergen county, against the Paterson and Hudson river rail road;

Read, and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Howell, from committee, reported a bill for a bridge over South River, at or near Washington, in Middlesex county;

Read, and ordered second reading.

Mr. Hinchman, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee appointed to settle the accounts of the State Prison, in making the necessary examination into the affairs of the State Prison, have authority to compel the attendance of persons, and the production of all papers, which they may consider requisite;

Read, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the vote, postponing the bill to establish a rail road from Camden to South-Amboy, be re-considered;

Whereupon, said bill was taken up and progressed in, by striking out the 23d section, and substituting another in its place;

When said bill was again ordered to be postponed to Tuesday the 26th instant.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled, "A supplement to an act entitled an act to authorize the enclosure of a certain tract of land, situate in the township of Caldwell, in the county of Essex, called Hetfield Swamp," passed, January 28th, 1829, without amendment.

The bill to establish a Bank at Middletown-Point, in the county of Monmouth, was called up and progressed in, when

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Van Winkle, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Bergen county, for an alteration in the law relative to the fisheries in Newark Bay, and Hackensack and Passaic rivers;

Read, and referred to the committee on that subject.

The bill to establish a Bank at Middletown-Point, was taken up, progressed in, and postponed on the 8th article.

The bill to incorporate the Clinton Manufacturing Company, was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

House adjourned to Monday, 18th Jan. 1830, 10 o'clock, A. M.

MONDAY, January 18, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Hancock, from committee, reported a bill relative to the law for the preservation of sheep;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Van Winkle, from committee, reported a bill in relation to the fisheries in Newark Bay, Hackensack and Passaic rivers;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Hopper, from committee, reported a bill for the relief of Patrick Quin;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and the printing dispensed with.

Mr. Ireland, from committee, reported a bill for the relief of Thompson Price;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and the printing of the same dispensed with.

The bill to incorporate the "Woodstown Fire Engine Company of Salem,"

Was taken up on its second reading, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Evans, presented a petition from inhabitants of Sussex, relative to the drowned lands in said county;

Ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to enable the owners of lands in the county of Sussex, to drain the same,

Was taken up for a second reading, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to authorize the administrators of Jos. Frazier, dec., to convey certain real estate,

Was taken up on its second reading, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to divorce Catharine Beavers of the county of Warren, from her husband Frederick Beavers,"

Was read a second time, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Ward, presented a remonstrance against the Paterson and Hudson River Rail Road;

Referred to the committee on that subject.

The bill to establish a bank at Middletown Point in Monmouth county,

Was taken up, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the Polytechnic Institute at Shrewsbury in Monmouth county,

Was taken up, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to amend the judicial system of this state,

Was taken up and ordered to be re-committed.

The bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Canal Commissioners,

Was taken up for a second reading, and while the first section was under consideration, the

House adjourned to 10 o'clock on Tuesday morning, January 19. 1830.

TUESDAY, January 19, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Kline, presented a petition from inhabitants of Somerset, for a law to authorize the clearing out of Dead River in said county;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Kline, Farlee, and West.

Ordered, That the report of the committee on the representation of the different counties of the state, in this House, be printed.

Mr. Potts, from committee, reported a supplement to the act constituting Courts for the trial of Small Causes;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Mickle, from committee, reported a supplement to the act entitled "An act securing to mechanics, and others, payment for their labour and materials in erecting any house or building within the limits therein mentioned," passed February 25th, 1820;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Earl, from committee, reported a bill to amend the judicial system of this state, in place of a former one, on the same subject, reported by him on the 13th inst.;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Summers, from committee, reported a bill to incorporate a bank at Belvidere in Warren county;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Nevius, with leave, presented a supplement to the law concerning sheriffs;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The resolution relative to the reference of certain laws, for revision, to Andrew Kirkpatrick,

Was taken up and amended so as to be a joint resolution, and the same agreed to.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

Mr. Jeffers, from committee, reported a bill relative to the Supreme and Circuit Courts;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Hornblower, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire whether any, and if any, what amendments are necessary to the laws respecting attachments against absent and absconding debtors;

Read, and agreed to, and Messrs. Hornblower, Cruser, and Ellis, appointed.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Woodstown Fire Engine Company, of Salem county,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Merkle,
Chetwood,	Mickle,
Cruser,	Monro,
Davis,	Nevius,
Earl,	Potts,
Evans,	Schenck,
Farlee,	Summers,
Fithian,	Swing,
Foster,	Townsend,
Hancock,	Vliet,
Hopper,	Van Winkle,
Hornblower,	Ward,
Howell,	Warren,
Hurley,	Wells,
Ireland,	West,
Jeffers,	Wick,
Little,	Wurts, speaker—34.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ellis and Kline—2.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to authorize Samuel White and Theodore Ivins, administrators of Joseph Frazier, dec. to fulfil a contract for the sale of a wheel-right shop and lot of land, made by the said Joseph Frazier, dec. with Charles H. Brian,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill to enable the owners of certain lands in the county of Sussex, to drain the same,

Was ordered to be re-committed.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate a Literary Institution at Shrewsbury, in the county of Monmouth,"

Was read a third time, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

The bill to "incorporate the New-Jersey Canal Commissioners,"

Was taken up, and while under consideration,

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled "An act to incorporate Medical Societies for the purpose of regulating the practice of Physic and Surgery in this state," and request the House to concur therein.

The bill from Council entitled, "An act to incorporate Medical Societies, for the purpose of regulating the practice of Physic and Surgery in this state,

Was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Hopper, presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the treasurer be requested to report to this House, the amount paid into the treasury, arising from the use of the lands belonging to this state at Paterson, for the last eight years, by the agent having charge of said lands, and the dates and amounts of the respective payments.

Ordered, to lie on the table.

The bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Canal Commissioners, was again taken up,

And on motion to strike out the first section, the yeas and nays being called,

It was decided in the negative, as follows:—

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Fithian,
Black,	Foster,
Chetwood,	Hancock,
Cruser,	Hopper,
Earl,	Hornblower,
Ellis,	Howell,
Evans,	Hurley,
Farlee,	Kirkpatrick,

Messrs. Kline,
Little,
Merkle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wurts, Speaker—30.

YEAS.

Messrs. Davis,
Hinchman,
Ireland,
Jeffers,
Mickle,
Monro,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Wick—9.

After which the bill was progressed in, and while the 5th section was under consideration,

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, January 20, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Little, presented a remonstrance against the division of the township of Aquackanock, in the county of Essex;

Read, and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Van Winkle, presented a petition from Anthony Dey and Richard Varick, for a law authorizing a rail road from Jersey-City across the state;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Van Winkle, Jeffers, and Nevius.

Mr. Jackson, presented a remonstrance against the application of the President and Directors of the Pompton and Newark Turnpike Company;

Read, and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Mickle, presented a resolution of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, of the county of Gloucester, for the repeal of a certain law in relation to a bridge over Mantua Creek;

Read, and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Ward, presented a remonstrance against setting off a new county from parts of Bergen and Essex;

Read, and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Ireland, presented a remonstrance from inhabitants of Gloucester, against the passing of any law making clam and oyster fisheries the property of the state.

Ordered, to lie in the table.

Mr. Hopper, presented a remonstrance against constructing a turn-

pike road in the townships of Saddle River and Franklin, in Bergen county;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The resolution requesting the treasurer to report to this House, what amount of money has been received for the use of the lands of the state at Paterson, for the last eight years;

Was called up and agreed to.

The bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Canal Commissioners;

Was called up, and ordered to be re-committed.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Clinton Manufacturing Company;

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Jeffers,
Black,	Little,
Chetwood,	Merkle,
Cruser,	Mickle,
Davis,	Monro,
Earl,	Nevius,
Evans,	Potts,
Farlee,	Summers,
Fithian,	Swing,
Foster,	Vliet,
Hopper,	Van Winkle,
Hornblower,	Ward,
Howell,	Warren,
Hurley,	Wells,
Ireland,	West,
Jackson,	Wurts, Speaker—32.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ellis,	Messrs. Townsend,
Hancock,	Wick.—5.
Kline,	

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act for incorporating a Literary Institution at Shrewsbury, in the county of Monmouth,"

Was called up, and ordered to be re-committed.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Middletown Point,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Little,
Chetwood,	Merkle,
Cruser,	Mickle,
Davis,	Monro,
Ellis,	Nevius,
Evans,	Potts,
Farlee,	Schenck,
Hancock,	Summers,
Hinchman,	Swing,
Hopper,	Vliet,
Howell,	Wells,
Hurley,	West,
Jackson,	Wick—27.
Jeffers,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Kline,
Earl,	Townsend,
Fithian,	Van Winkle,
Foster,	Ward,
Hornblower,	Warren,
Ireland,	Wurts, Speaker—12.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The bill relative to the laws for the preservation of sheep,

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the Belvidere Bank,

Was called up, read a second time, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

House adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Chetwood, presented a petition from William G. Bull, for a law to convey certain real estate;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Chetwood, Ellis, and Townsend.

Mr. Summers, presented a petition from David Bruce and others, for an act of incorporation for mining purposes;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Summers, Little, and Wells.

Mr. Potts, from committee, to whom was re-committed the bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Canal Commissioners, reported a bill to incorporate the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company;

Which report was adopted and the bill read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Hornblower, from committee, reported a bill in relation to the attachment act;

Read, and ordered second reading, and to be printed.

The Belvidere Bank bill,

Was called up, and ordered to be re-committed.

Mr. Jeffers, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House will attend an examination of the pupils of the Pennsylvania Institution for the deaf and dumb, to morrow morning, at 12 o'clock, in the Assembly Room.

The bill relative to hawkers and pedlars,

Was called up, read a second time, and while under consideration,

House adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. Thursday morning, January 21, 1830.

THURSDAY, January 21, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

The Speaker presented the following statement of the concerns of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Rahway, filed in the office of the Treasurer, on the 13th day of November last, in conformity with the 14th section of the act of incorporation:

The President and Cashier of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Rahway, in conformity with its charter, present to the Treasurer of the State of New-Jersey, to be laid before the Honorable the Legislature, the following statement of its concerns, viz.

Statement of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Rahway, Nov. 11th, 1829.

In bills discounted,	$44,412 05
The Merchants' Bank, deposited.	6,597 25
Foreign Bank Notes,	785 00
Specie,	1,909 65
Office Notes on hand,	32,957 00
Contingent expense unpaid.	423 12
	$87,084 07

Capital stock paid in,	$30,000 00
Discounts received,	799 71
Individual deposits,	6,084 36
Office Notes issued, on hand,	32,957 00
In circulation.	17,243 00
	$87,084 07

Thirty thousand dollars of the capital stock has been paid in, which is employed in discounting bills of exchange and promissory notes, agreeably to the charter of the said company; all which is respectfully submitted. Rahway, Nov. 11th, 1829.

WM. EDGAR, President.
F. KING, Cashier.

Middlesex county, } ss. } Personally appeared before me, Richard Marsh, Esq. one of the Justices of the Peace, in and for the aforesaid county, William Edgar, President of the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Rahway, and Frederick King, the Cashier of said bank, each of whom being duly sworn according to law, saith that the foregoing statement, to which they have subscribed their names, is correct and true in all its parts, according to the best of their knowledge and belief.

Sworn before me this 12th day of Nov. 1829.

RICHARD MARSH.

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Farlee, presented a petition from John McClary, for a divorce from his wife;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Van Winkle, presented a memorial from the Receivers of the N. J. Manufacturing and Banking Company, for a return of the bonus paid the state, for the charter of said company;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Van Winkle, Jackson, and Kirkpatrick.

Mr. Hinchman, presented a petition from inhabitants of Gloucester, on the subject of locks in Mantua creek, in said county;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Hinchman, Davis, and Hurley.

Mr. Hopper, presented a petition from John Lambert for an act of incorporation for a brewery;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Hopper, Chetwood, and Monro.

Mr. Hornblower, from committee, reported a supplement to the law establishing the Newark and Pompton Turnpike Company;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Chetwood, from committee, reported a bill concerning forcible entries and detainers;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Summers, from committee, to whom was re-committed the bill for a bank at Belvidere,

Reported the same with amendments;

Which report was accepted, and the bill read, and ordered second reading.

Mr. Bennett, from committtee, to whom was re-committed the engrossed bill entitled "An act for incorporating a Literary Institution in Shrewsbury Monmouth county,"

Reported the same without amendment;

Which having been three times read and compared;

On the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Ireland,
Black,	Jackson.
Chetwood,	Jeffers,
Cruser,	Little,
Davis,	Merkle,
Earl,	Mickle,
Ellis,	Potts,
Evans,	Summers,
Farlee,	Swing,
Fithian,	Vliet,
Foster,	Van Winkle,
Hinchman,	Ward,
Hopper,	Warren,
Howell,	Wells,
Hurley,	West—30.

NAYS.

Messrs. Hancock,	Messrs. Townsend,
Hornblower,	Wick,
Kline,	Wurts, speaker—7.
Monroe,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Little, presented a petition from John Strong and others of Paterson, for an act of incorporation for certain purposes;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Little, Ward, and Howell.

Mr. Hancock, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to examine what alterations, if any are requisite, to be made in an act entitled "An act for confirming conveyances of lands made and to be made by wills and powers of attorney," passed March 17, A. D. 1713—14;

Agreed to, and Messrs. Hancock, Hornblower, and Fithian appointed.

Mr. Hornblower, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire, if any, and what amendments are necessary to the act entitled "An act to register mortgages.

Ordered, To lie on the table.

Mr. Hopper, presented a remonstrance against the construction of a turnpike, in the townships of Saddle River and Franklin in Bergen county.

Ordered, To lie on the table.

Mr. Chetwood, from committee, reported a bill to authorize William G. Bull, to convey certain real estate;

Read, and ordered a second reading. Printing dispensed with.

Mr. Farlee, from committee, reported a bill to raise thousand dollars, for the year 1830;

Read, and ordered a second reading and to be printed.

Mr. Summers, from committee, reported a bill to incorporate the Warren Mining Company;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Jeffers offered the following Resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to enquire if any, and what alterations are necessary in the act entitled "An act for the instruction of the indigent deaf and dumb persons, inhabitants of this state."

Agreed to, and Messrs. Jeffers, Hornblower, and Earl, appointed.

The bill concerning Hawkers and Pedlars,

Was called up, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be postponed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate Medical Societies, for the purpose of regulating the practice of Physic and Surgery, in this State,"

Was read a second time, and while the 10th section was under consideration,

House adjourned to 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, January 22, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Chetwood, presented a petition from Sarah Morris, for a divorce from her husband;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Hopper, presented a remonstrance from John A. Berry, against certain acts of the Paterson and Hamburgh Turnpike Company;

Read, and referred to committee on that subject.

Mr. Chetwood, presented a petition from inhabitants of Elizabeth-Town, for the establishment of a Bank at that place;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Chetwood, Farlee, and Cruser.

Mr. Hornblower, from committee, reported a bill for dividing the township of Aquackanock;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate Medical

Societies, for the purpose of regulating the practice of Physic and Surgery, in this state,"

Was taken up, read a second time, amended, and ordered a third reading.

The Delaware and Raritan Canal bill,

Was taken up, and read a second time, when the

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Van Winkle, from committee, reported a bill respecting the "New-Jersey Manufacturing and Banking Company;"

Read, and ordered to be dismissed.

Mr. Chetwood, presented a petition from the corporation of the Borough of Elizabeth-Town, for an alteration of certain laws relative to said corporation;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Chetwood, Bennett, and Wick.

The Delaware and Raritan Canal bill,

Was taken up and progressed in;

And while the 16th section of the bill was under consideration,

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, January 23, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Chetwood, presented a memorial from the corporation of Elizabeth-Town, relative to the alteration of certain laws;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Chetwood, Foster, and Vliet.

Mr. Van Winkle from committee, reported a bill to incorporate the New-Jersey and Atlantic Rail Road company;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Hopper, from committee, reported a bill to incorporate the Oloham Brewing Company;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to repeal an act entitled a supplement to the act entitled, an act for the preservation of sheep," passed the ninth day of June, 1820;

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Kline,
Little,
Merkle,
Monro,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—33.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Messrs. Vliet—2.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The vote of yesterday, ordering the bill from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate Medical Societies, for the regulation of the practice of Physic and Surgery in this state,

Was ordered to be re-considered;

When said bill was taken up, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

The bill to incorporate the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company,

Was taken up, progressed in, and ordered to be postponed on the 23d section.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the the House, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to incorporate the Woodstown Fire Engine Company of Salem county," without amendment.

The bill to authorize William G. Bull, to convey certain real estate,

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to increase the representation of the county of Warren in this house,

Was read a second time, amended and ordered to be postponed.

The bill to authorize Thomas Benton and Henry Andrew, to convey certain real estate,

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Ordered, That when this House adjourn, it will adjourn to Monday morning next, 10 o'clock A. M.

House adjourned to Monday 25th January, 1830, at 10 A. M.

MONDAY, January 25th, 1830,

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Chetwood, presented various petitions from Middlesex and Essex, in favour of the construction of rail roads;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The speaker presented the following report from the treasurer:

NEW-JERSEY TREASURY DEPARTMENT.

TRENTON, *January 25th*, 1830.

To the Honorable the General Assembly of the State of New-Jersey:—

GENTLEMEN—The treasurer in pursuance of your resolution, adopted the 20th inst. relative to the income from the state lands at Paterson, begs leave to report: That since November 1821, there has been paid into the treasury at three different times, altogether $260. 35 cents, by Samuel Pennington, esq. agent for the state, at the times and in the sums following:

1826, Sept. 20,	$143 78
1827, June 6,	87 82
1828, Sept. 26,	28 75
	$260 35

All which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES PARKER.

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Wick, presented petitions from sundry inhabitants of Salem county, for a new township to be set off in said county;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Wick, Fithian, and Ireland.

Mr. Kline, from committee, reported a bill to authorize the clearing out of Dead river in Somerset county;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to authorize William G. Bull, one of the executors of the last will and testament of William G. Reynolds, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of a certain lot of land and premises, made by the said William G. Reynolds, with Edward I. Brown,

Was read a third time and compared,

And on the question shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The supplement to the act to incorporate the Newark and Pompton Turnpike Company,

Was read a second time, and gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill entitled "An act relating to hawkers, pedlars, and petty chapmen, and to repeal other acts upon that subject,"

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The Delaware and Raritan Canal bill,

Was taken up, progressed in, and while under consideration,

House adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Potts, presented a petition from inhabitants of Hunterdon county, against daming the Delaware River;

Referred to a committee on that subject.

Mr. Bennett, from committee, reported a bill to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson River Rail Road Company;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill to incorporate the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company,

Was again taken up and progressed in,

When a further consideration of the same was postponed on the 25th section.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate Medical Societies, for regulating the Practice of Physic and Surgery, in this state,"

Was read a third time, and amended;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Hopper,
Chetwood,	Hornblower,
Cruser,	Howell,
Davis,	Hurley,
Earl,	Ireland,
Ellis,	Jackson,
Evans,	Kirkpatrick,
Farlee,	Kline,
Fithian,	Little,
Foster,	Merkle,
Hillard,	Monro,

Nevius,	Van Winkle,
Potts,	Ward,
Schenck,	Warren,
Summers,	Wells,
Swing,	West,
Townsend,	Wurts, Speaker—34.

NAYS.

Messrs. Hancock, Vliet, Wick—3.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The bill for the relief of Patrick Quin,

Was read a third time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill relating to Forcible Entries and detainers,

Was read a second time, and postponed on the first section.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, January 26th, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Hornblower, presented petitions from sundry persons confined within the prison limits of the county of Essex, for an extension of the same;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Potts, presented a petition from John L. Sullivan, on the subject of rail roads and rail road carriages;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Potts, Hornblower, and Kline.

Mr. Hinchman, presented a petition from Hugh Aggings, a revolutionary soldier, for relief;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Hinchman, West, and Summers.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, presented a petition from William H. Schenck, for a divorce from his wife.

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The person who was appointed engrossing clerk is, from indisposition, prevented from attending to such duty—Therefore,

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be directed, and he is hereby authorized to have such engrossment done in such manner as he may deem proper;

Read, and agreed to.

The report relative to the apportionment of the representation of the several counties of this state, in the House of Assembly.

Was called up, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Cruser, presented a memorial in favour of rail roads, from inhabitants of Essex county;

Ordered to lie on the table.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act relating to Hawkers, Pedlars, and Petty Chapmen, and to repeal former acts upon that subject;

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Ireland,
Chetwood,	Jeffers,
Cruser,	Kline,
Davis,	Little,
Earl,	Merkle,
Evans,	Monro,
Ellis,	Nevius,
Farlee,	Potts,
Fithian,	Schenck,
Foster,	Swing,
Hinchman,	Ward,
Hopper,	Warren,
Hornblower,	Wells,
Howell,	West,
Hurley,	Wurts, Speaker—30.

NAYS.

Messrs. Hancock,	Vliet,
Jackson,	Van Winkle,
Summers,	Wick—7.
Townsend,	

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act for the relief of Patrick Quin,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Farlee,
Chetwood,	Fithian,
Davis,	Hancock,
Earl,	Hillard,
Ellis,	Hinchman,
Evans,	Hopper,

Hornblower,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monro,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Warren,
Wells,
Wick—31.

NAYS.

Messrs. Cruser,
Foster,
Howell,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Ward,
West,
Wurts, Speaker—9.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled an act, to incorporate the Newark and Pompton Turnpike Company," passed 24th February, 1806,

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Earl,
Evans,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Monro,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wurts, Speaker—21.

NAYS.

Messrs. Davis,
Ellis,
Farlee,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Ireland,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vliet,
West,
Wick—18.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to authorize Thomas Benton and Henry Andrew, to convey real estate therein mentioned,"
Was read a third time and compared;
And on the question shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The Delaware and Raritan Canal Bill,
Was taken up, and while under consideration,
House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled "A supplement to the act entitled "An act to authorize the holding of Special Terms of the courts of Common Pleas, in and for the counties therein named," passed December 10th, 1825, to which they request the assent of the House of Assembly;
Which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

On motion,

Ordered, That the vote of this morning, relative to the supplement to the act incorporating the Newark and Pompton Turnpike company, be reconsidered.

Mr. Hopper, from committee, reported a bill for the relief of the New-Barbadoes Toll Bridge company;
Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Hopper, from committee, reported a bill to erect a new county from parts of Bergen, Essex, and Morris, to be called Paterson;
Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The engrossed bill entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled, an act to incorporate the Newark and Pompton Turnpike company," passed 24th February, 1806,
Having been read and compared;
On the question shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Hillard,
Chetwood,	Hornblower,
Cruser,	Howell,
Earl,	Hurley,
Ellis,	Jackson,
Evans,	Jeffers,
Fithian,	Kirkpatrick,
Foster,	Little,
Hancock,	Merkle,

Monro,
Kline,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wurts, speaker—26.

NAYS.

Messrs. Farlee,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Ireland,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Wick—13.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The Delaware and Raritan Canal Bill,

Was taken up, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Cruser,
Earl,
Ellis,
Farlee,
Hancock,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Howell,
Hurley,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Swing,
Warren,
Wells,
West—22.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chetwood,
Davis,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hillard,
Hornblower,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Monro,
Summers,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Kline,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—17.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill entitled, an act to amend an act entitled "An act to incorporate a company to form an artificial navigation between the Passaic and Delaware rivers," pas-

sed 31st December, 1824, and for other purposes, to which bill they request the assent of the House of Assembly ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill to incorporate the Camden and South Amboy Rail Road Company,

Was taken up, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, January 27, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Earl, presented petitions from inhabitants of Burlington and Monmouth, in favour of protecting the growth of seed or brood oysters from the depredations of foreigners ;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Earl, Davis, and Cruser.

Mr. Davis and Mr. Cruser, severally presented petitions upon the same subject ;

Read, and refered to the same committee.

Mr. Hopper, presented remonstrances from inhabitants of Bergen and Essex, complaining of the Morris Canal and Banking Company:

Read, and referred to Messrs. Hopper, Chetwood, and Monro.

The petition of Sarah Morris, for a divorce from her husband,

Was referred to Messrs. Chetwood, Vliet, and Swing.

The petition of John McClary, for a divorce from his wife,

Was referred to Messrs. Farlee, Bennett, and Evans.

Mr. Hopper, presented a petition from inhabitants of Bergen and Essex, for a new county to be set off, to be called Paterson.

Ordered to lie on the table.

The resolution authorizing the treasurer to insure the State House, Library, and Public Arms,

Was called up, amended, and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to incorporate the Camden and Amboy Rail Road and Transportation Company ;

Was taken up, when Mr. Jeffers, offered the following as a substitute to the 24th section :

Sec. 24. *And be it enacted*, That if any other rail road for the transportation of passengers across this state, from and to the cities of New-York and Philadelphia, shall be constructed and used from the Raritan River or Amboy Bay to the Delaware River, within three miles of the terminations of the roads authorized by this act, then the tax herein imposed shall cease, and be no longer payable : *Provided also*, That if any other rail road, for the aforesaid purpose, shall be constructed, it shall be liable to a tax not less than the amounts payable to the state by this company ;

Which was rejected by ayes and noes, as follows :

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Mickle,
Earl,	Monro,
Hinchman,	Nevius,
Hopper,	Potts,
Howell,	Swing,
Hurley,	Warren,
Ireland,	Wells,
Jackson,	Wick—17.
Jeffers,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Hornblower,
Chetwood,	Little,
Cruser,	Merkle,
Davis,	Townsend,
Ellis,	Vliet,
Evans,	Kline,
Farlee,	Van Winkle,
Fithian,	Ward,
Foster,	West,
Hancock,	Wurts, Speaker—20.

After which said bill was gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Jackson,
Black,	Jeffers,
Cruser,	Little,
Davis,	Mickle,
Earl,	Nevius,
Ellis,	Potts,
Foster,	Swing,
Hancock,	Townsend,
Hinchman,	Van Winkle,
Hopper,	Warren,
Howell,	Wells,
Hurley,	Wick,
Ireland,	West—26.

NAYS.

Messrs. Evans,	Messrs. Merkle,
Farlee,	Monro,
Fithian,	Vliet,
Hornblower,	Ward,
Kline,	Wurts, Speaker—10.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to authorize William G. Bull, one of the executors of the last will and testament of William G. Reynolds, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of a certain lot of land and premises, made by the said William G. Reynolds, with Edward I. Brown," with amendments, to which they request the assent of the House of Assembly.

Also, that they had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to authorize Samuel White and Theodore Ivins, administrators of Joseph Frazier, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of a wheelright shop, and a lot of land, made by the said Joseph Frazier, deceased, with Charles H. Brian;" with amendments, to which amendments they request the concurrence of the House of Assembly;

Which amendments were read and agreed to;

And said bills ordered to be re-engrossed.

The bill to abolish imprisonment for debt in certain cases,

Was taken up, and amendments were offered to the same;

Which amendments were ordered to lie on the table, and to be printed.

House adjourned to three o'clock.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Hopper, presented a petition from inhabitants of Paterson, for a rail road from thence to the Hudson River.

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Jeffers, from committee on that subject, made the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the resolution, directing them to inquire if any, and what, alterations are necessary in the laws relative to divorces, ask leave to

Report, That they have had the said resolution under consideration, and find the subject one of great difficulty and delicacy, as well as of the highest importance to the morals, happiness, and character of the people. Under these impressions, the committee having examined the existing laws relative to this subject, believe, upon consideration, that relief may be had in most of the cases now before the House, by application to the Court of Chancery, and to that tribunal, the committee think they ought to be referred. The applications which do not come within the existing laws should, in the opinion of the committee, be permitted to stand upon their respective merits before the House. The committee ask leave to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject;

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Ordered, That the committee be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate a company to form an artificial navigation between the Passaic and Delaware Rivers," passed 31st December, 1824, and for other purposes,

Was read a second time, and ordered a third reading.

The bill to repeal the act to prevent Horse Racing,

Was taken up, and on motion to strike out the first section.

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Kline,
Chetwood,	Little,
Evans,	Monro,
Farlee,	Schenck,
Fithian,	Summers,
Foster,	Swing,
Hancock,	Townsend,
Hopper,	Van Winkle,
Hornblower,	Ward,
Ireland,	Warren,
Jackson,	Wurts, Speaker—22.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Jeffers,
Cruser,	Kirkpatrick,
Davis,	Merkle,
Earl,	Mickle,
Ellis,	Vliet,
Hillard,	Wells,
Hinchman,	West,
Howell,	Wick—16.

The bill to authorize the chosen freeholders of the county of Salem, to erect a bridge over Salem creek, in the county of Salem,

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and *Ordered*, to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House, that Council have disagreed to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act for altering and re-settling the boundary line between parts of the counties of Middlesex and Somerset."

The report of the committtee on representation, was taken up.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, January 28, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Hornblower, presented a remonstrance against the rail road from Paterson to Hudson River;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Potts, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the witnesses subpœnæd in the case of Henry Miller, Esq. one of the Justices of the Peace, of the county of Hunterdon, on charges against him of official misconduct, be allowed two dollars per day, while attending under said process; and one dollar for every twenty miles, coming from or going to their respective places of abode; and that provision for the same be made in the incidental bill.

Agreed to.

The Speaker, presented a communication from his Excellency the Governor, transmitting certain resolutions of the Legislature of Georgia, relative to amendments of the Constitution of the United States;

Read, and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Evans, from the committee to whom was re-committed, the bill relative to drowned lands in the county of Sussex;

Reported the same with amendments;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate a company to form an artificial navigation between the Passaic and Delaware rivers," passed 31st December, 1824, and for other purposes,

Was read a third time;

And on the question shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that Council be informed of the passing of said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Camden and Amboy Rail Road and Transportation Company,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on motion to postpone said bill to the 1st Monday of November next,

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Kline,
	Evans,		Little,
	Farlee,		Merkle,
	Fithian,		Summers,
	Hancock,		Ward,
	Hornblower,		Wurts, speaker—12.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Foster,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Howell,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Mickle,
Monro,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Warren,
Wells,
West.
Wick—29.

When on the question, shall this bill pass ?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Foster,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Howell,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick—27.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Chetwood,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Hancock,
Hornblower,
Kline,
Little,
Monro,
Summers,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Wurts, Speaker—15.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

House adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House, that Council had agreed to the amendments made in the House of Assembly, to the bill entitled "An act to incorporate Medical Societies, for the purpose of regulating the practice of Physic and Surgery, in this State; and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

Mr. Hornblower, presented a petition from William Roberts, now in confinement in the jail of Essex county, for relief;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Hornblower, Howell and Merkle.

Mr. Wick, from committee on that subject, reported against the prayer of petitioners of Salem county, for a new township to be set off in said county, to be called Quinton ;

Which report was agreed to.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Cruser,
Earl,
Ellis,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Howell,
Hurley,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Swing,
Vail,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—23.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Davis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hornblower,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Kline,
Monro,
Summers,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward—19.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to authorize William G. Bull, one of the executors of the last will and testament of William G. Reynolds, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of a lot of land, made by the said William G. Reynolds, with Edward I. Brown,"

Was read as amended;

And on the question shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, unanimously.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the Clerk carry said bill to Council, inform them that the amendments made thereto by Council, have been agreed to by the House, and that they have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The re-engrossed bill entitled "An act to authorize Samuel White and Theodore Ivins, administrators of Joseph Frazier, deceased, to fulfil a contract for the sale of a wheel-wright shop, and a lot of land made by the said Joseph Frazier, deceased, with Charles H. Brian,"

Was read and amended;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, inform them that the amendments made thereto by Council, have been agreed to by the House, and that they have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to authorize the chosen freeholders of the county of Salem, to build a bridge over Salem Creek in the county of Salem."

Was read a third time and compared.

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

Ordered, That leave be given to the committee, to withdraw their report, on the apportionment of the representation of the several counties of the state, in the House of Assembly.

The bill to increase the representation of Warren and Sussex counties, in the House of Assembly,

Was taken up, and the first section disagreed to;

When said bill was ordered to be dismissed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly entitled "a further supplement to the act entitled "An act to incorporate the Newark and Pompton Turnpike Company," passed the 24th day of February 1806," without amendment.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, January 29, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Chetwood and Mr. Kline, severally presented petitions from inhabitants of Somerset and Essex, for a law authorizing the construction of a rail road from Somerville to Elizabethtown;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Chetwood, Kline, and Farlee.

Mr. Chetwood, presented a petition from sundry persons of Elizabethtown, relative to the territorial limits of the borough of Elizabeth;

Read, and referred to committee on that subject.

Mr. Chetwood, from committee, reported a bill to establish and confirm the charter rights of the borough of Elizabeth;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Hornblower, from committee, reported a bill to discharge prisoners in certain cases;

Read, and ordered second reading, and to be printed.

The report of the committee, on the subject of the laws relative to divorces,

Was taken up; whereupon,

Mr. Hornblower, offered the following resolution, as an amendment to said report:

Resolved, That this House will not, during the present session, receive or entertain any petitions for divorces, in any cases within the provisions of the acts of the Legislature upon this subject, and of which the Court of Chancery has jurisdiction;

Which amendments was agreed to; and the report was further amended, by striking out the prayer of the committee to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject, and inserting "therefore the committee beg leave to offer the following resolution;"

When said report, thus amended, was accepted by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS:

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Little,
Chetwood,	Merkle,
Cruser,	Monro,
Earl,	Potts,
Fithian,	Schenck,
Foster,	Swing,
Hancock,	Townsend,
Hornblower,	Vliet,
Howell,	Van Winkle,
Hurley,	Ward,
Ireland,	Wells,
Jackson,	Wick,
Jeffers,	Wurts, Speaker—27.
Kline,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Mickle,
Davis,	Summers,
Ellis,	Vail,
Evans,	Warren,
Hopper,	West—10.

The bill relative to the poor in the county of Salem,
Was taken up, and ordered to be recommitted.
The bill for the relief of David Mercereau,
Was taken up, and the first section disagreed to.
Ordered, That said bill be dismissed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly entitled "An act to authorize Thomas Benton and Henry Andrew to convey real estate therein mentioned," without amendment; and also, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to incorporate the Clinton Manufacturing Company," with sundry amendments, to which amendments they request the assent of the House of Assembly.

The amendments made in Council, to the bill from this House, entitled "An act to incorporate the Clinton Manufacturing Company,"
Were read and agreed to, and said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail Road Company,
Was taken up, and read a second time, when the
House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Farlee, presented a remonstrance from inhabitants of Hunterdon against daming the river Delaware;
Read, and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Hopper, presented a remonstrance from inhabitants of Bergen, Essex, and Morris, against the Morris Canal and Banking Company;
Read, and referred to the committee on that subject.

The bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail Road Company,
Was taken up, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, when the
House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, January 30, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Hancock, from committee, on that subject, reported a supplement to the law relating to conveyances of lands;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, with leave, presented a bill to establish an independent regiment of horse artillery;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Summers, presented the petition of sundry persons of Warren county, for a law authorizing the Susquehanna and Delaware Canal and Rail Road Company, to extend their road across this state;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Summers, Evans, and Nevius.

Mr. Hancock, offered a resolution relative to incorporations;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to alter and amend the act entitled "An act concerning Inns and Taverns,

Was taken up, and the first section disagreed to,

When it was ordered that said bill be dismissed.

The bill relative to members of the Legislative Council and General Assembly of this state,

Was taken up, and the first section disagreed to, by ayes and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Little,
	Black,		Merkle,
	Ellis,		Mickle,
	Evans,		Monro,
	Fithian,		Nevius,
	Foster,		Schenck,
	Hornblower,		Townsend,
	Hurley,		Vail,
	Ireland,		Van Winkle,
	Jackson,		Warren,
	Kirkpatrick,		Wells,
	Kline,		Wick —24.

NAYS.

Messrs.	Chetwood,	Messrs.	Potts,
	Cruser,		Summers,
	Davis,		Swing,
	Earl,		Vliet,
	Hillard,		West,
	Hopper,		Wurts, Speaker—12.

Ordered, That said bill be dismissed.

Ordered, That when this House adjourn, it will adjourns to Monday morning next.

House adjourned to Monday morning next, Feb. 1. 1830.

MONDAY, February 1, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Van Winkle, presented a petition from Bergen, for a rail road from Jersey City to the Delaware;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Summers, presented a petition from inhabitants of Warren county, in favour of granting the privilege to the Susquehanna Canal and Rail Road company, of extending their road across New-Jersey;

Read, and referred to committee on that subject.

Mr. Kline, presented a memorial from Peter T. Smith, against passing a law to annul the marriage contract existing between him and Mary Smith;

Read, and referred to committee on that subject.

Mr. Black offered, the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House will rise on Thursday the 18th day of February, instant, 1830.

Ordered, to lie on the table.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act for the relief of Patrick Quin," with an amendment, to which amendment they request the assent of the House of Assembly.

The amendment made in Council, to the bill from this House, entitled "An act for the relief of Patrick Quin,"

Was read and agreed to;

And said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The re-engrossed bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the Clinton Manufacturing Company,"

Was read as amended;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Ellis,
Black,	Evans,
Davis,	Fithian,
Earl,	Foster.

Messrs. Hopper,
Hornblower,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monro,
Messrs. Summers,
Swing,
Vail,
Vliet,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
Wurts, Speaker—25.

NAY.

Mr. Wick.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the Clerk carry said bill to Council, and inform them that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendments made in Council thereto, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The bill from Council, entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act to authorize the holding of Special Terms of the Courts of Common Pleas, in and for the counties therein named," passed December 10th, 1825,

Was read a second time, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to empower Isaac Smith, guardian of Aaron Griggs, to sell certain real estate of his ward,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and postponed.

The bill to divorce Edwin W. Jackson from his wife,

Was read a second time, and the first section disagreed to;

And said bill ordered to be dismissed.

The bill to divorce Peter Clark from his wife,

Was taken up and ordered to be dismissed;

And leave given to withdraw the papers relative to the same.

The bill to divorce Mary Camp from her husband,

Was taken up, first section disagreed to, and the same ordered to be dismissed.

Ordered, That leave be given to withdraw the papers relative to the same,

The bill to divorce Fanny B. Smock from her husband,

Was called up, first section disagreed to, and said bill ordered to be dismissed.

Ordered, That leave be given to withdraw the papers in relation thereto.

Mr. Jackson, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed for the purpose of enquiring whether some plan cannot be adopted, without incurring much expense, for the more convenient and comfortable arrangement of the Assembly Room, and that they report to the present session of the Legislature, such plan with the probable cost.

Agreed to; and Messrs. Jackson, Kirkpatrick, and Black appointed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to authorize the board of chosen freeholders, of the county of Salem, to erect a bridge over Salem creek, in the county of Salem;" without amendment.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Black, from committee, reported a bill to regulate the track of carriages throughout the state;

Read and a second reading of the same disagreed to, and the same ordered to be dismissed.

The bill to abolish imprisonment for debt in certain cases, was made the order of the day for Wednesday next.

The bill to secure and defend the public revenue was made the order of the day for Thursday next.

The bill to incorporate the Fairfield and Paterson Turnpike Company,

Was taken up, read a second time, and the further consideration of the same postponed.

The bill entitled "a supplement to an act securing to Mechanics and others, payment for their labour and materials, in erecting any house or other building, within the limits therein mentioned," passed February 25th 1820,

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The judiciary bill was taken up and read a second time,

And while the first section was under consideration,

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, February 2, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Messrs. Van Winkle and Ward, severally presented remonstrances against erecting a new county, from parts of Essex and Bergen; and

Mr. Hopper, presented petitions in favor of erecting said new county;

Which were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Jackson, presented a petition from sundry freeholders of Mor-

ris county, for an alteration in the boundary lines of certain townships;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Jackson, Vail, and Townsend.

Mr. Potts, from committee, reported a bill to incorporate the Paterson Winans' Rail Way Carriage Manufacturing Company;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Hornblower, from committee, reported a bill for the more equal representation of the several counties of this state in the House of Assembly;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The judiciary bill was called up, and made the order of the day for Wednesday next.

The supplement to the act relative to Sheriffs,

Was taken up, read a second time, and the first section disagreed to by ayes and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Chetwood,	Messrs.	Nevius,
	Cruser,		Potts,
	Hornblower,		Summers,
	Kirkpatrick,		Vail,
	Kline,		Van Winkle,
	Little,		Wells,
	Merkle,		Wurts, Speaker—14.

NAYS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Ireland,
	Black,		Jackson,
	Davis,		Mickle,
	Earl,		Monro,
	Ellis,		Swing,
	Evans,		Townsend,
	Fithian,		Vliet,
	Foster,		Ward,
	Hancock,		West,
	Hopper,		Wick—21.
	Hurley,		

The further supplement to the act for the relief of creditors against absent and absconding debtors,

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Ordered, That leave of absence be given to the Speaker for a few days.

Mr. Potts, announced to the House, the death of one of his colleagues, Gabriel Hoff, Esq. a member of Assembly from the county of Hunterdon, and offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That as a testimony of respect to the memory of our late respected friend and fellow member, Gabriel Hoff, Esq. the members of this House will wear the usual badge of mourning for thirty days.

Resolved, That this House do now adjourn ; which was read and agreed to unanimously.

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock, A. M. to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, February 3, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

The Speaker being absent, (with leave) the House, after being called to order, proceeded to the choice of a Speaker, pro tem. when the following gentlemen were nominated, viz. Joseph Jackson, of Morris, Stacy G. Potts, of Hunterdon, William N. Jeffers, of Salem, and Joshua S. Earl, of Burlington ; the two latter gentlemen having declined, and their names being withdrawn, the vote of the House was as follows :

For Stacy G. Potts, Esq.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Little,
Chetwood,	Merkle,
Davis,	Nevius,
Farlee,	Schenck,
Foster,	Summers,
Hancock,	Swing,
Hillard,	Ward,
Hornblower,	West,
Hurley,	Wick—18.

For Joseph Jackson, Esq.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Kirkpatrick,
Cruser,	Monro,
Earl,	Townsend,
Evans,	Vail,
Fithian,	Vliet,
Howell,	Warren—13.
Ireland,	

Whereupon, Stacy G. Potts, Esq. was declared to be duly elected Speaker, pro tempore, and took the chair accordingly.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act for incorporating a literary institution, in the town of Shrewsbury, and county of Monmouth." with sundry amendments, to which amendments they request the assent of the House of Aseembly.

Mr. Chetwood, presented a memorial from Mary Kean, for a law to appoint Anthony Rutgers, trustee, instead of her late husband, Peter Kean, deceased;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Chetwood, Mickle, and Cruser.

Mr. Vail, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Paterson, for a rail road from thence to the Hudson river.

Ordered, to lie on the table.

Mr. Hornblower, presented a petition from Albert Munn, for a law to convey certain real estate;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Hornblower, Hancock, and Hurley.

Mr. Chetwood, presented a petition relative to the courts of the Borough of Elizabeth.

Ordered, to lie on the table.

Mr. Chetwood, from committee, reported a bill to incorporate the Elizabeth-Town and Somerville Rail Road Company;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Jeffers, from committee, reported a supplement to the law relative to indigent deaf and dumb persons of this state;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Jackson, from committee, reported a bill to alter the division line between the townships of Randolph and Pequannock, in the county of Morris;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The engrossed bill, entitled "A supplement to an act entitled an act securing to Mechanics and others, payment for their labour and materials in erecting any house or other building, within the limits therein mentioned," passed February 25th, 1820,

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the Clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their assent to the same.

The bill to abolish imprisonment for debt in certain cases,

Was taken up and progressed in, and while under consideration,

The House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, in-

formed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Paterson Centre Market;"

Also, the bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Medford Water Company,"

And request the concurrence of the House of Assembly to the same.

Also, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act relating to Hawkers, Pedlars, and Petty Chapmen, and to repeal the former acts on that subject," with sundry amendments, to which amendments, they request the assent of the House of Assembly.

Mr. Chetwood, presented a memorial in relation to the Borough Courts of Elizabeth.

Ordered, To lie on the table.

Mr. Hinchman, from committee, reported a bill to repeal an act entitled "An act to repeal an act entitled an act to enable the chosen freeholders of the county of Gloucester, to build a bridge over Mantua Creek, at a place called Crown Point;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Chetwood, from committee, reported a bill to appoint Anthony Rutgers, Esq. trustee in the place of Peter Kean, deceased;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and the printing dispensed with.

The bill to abolish imprisonment for debt in certain cases, was again taken up, when an additional section was offered as an amendment to the bill, in these words:

"Sec. 6. *And be it enacted*, That after the passing of this act, no person who shall be of the age of seventy years or upwards, shall be imprisoned for debt, or on any process in any action for the recovery of money due upon any contract, express or implied;"

To which amendment, the following amendment was offered to be inserted between the words "upwards," and "shall," viz. "or who shall have served any period in the regular or militia service, in the war of the revolution;

Which was agred to by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS:

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Hurley,
Chetwood,	Ireland,
Cruser,	Jeffers,
Earl,	Kirkpatrick,
Ellis,	Little,
Evans,	Merkle,
Farlee,	Mickle,
Fithian,	Potts, Speaker, pro tem.
Foster,	Summers,
Hinchman,	Swing,
Hopper,	Vliet,
Hornblower,	Van Winkle,
Howell,	Ward—26.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Davis,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Jackson,
Monro,
Nevius,
Schenck,
Townsend,
West,
Wick—11.

After which it was moved to strike out the words "shall be of the age of seventy years or upwards, or who", so as to make the section allude to soldiers of the revolution only,

Which was agreed to by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Hancock,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Mickle,
Monro,
Potts, Speaker, pro tem.
Swing,
Townsend,
Warren,
West,
Wick—22.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Hillard,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Merkle,
Nevius,
Schenck,
Summers,
Vliet,
Ward—14.

On agreeing to the section thus amended, the yeas and nays being again required,

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Hancock,
Hillard,

Messrs. Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monro,
Potts, Speaker, pro tem.
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Warren,
Ward,
Wick—33.

NAYS.

Messrs. Nevius, and Schenck—2.

Whereupon, the bill having been gone through with by sections,
Was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.
House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, February 4, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Chetwood, presented a memorial in relation to the Borough Courts of Elizabeth.

Ordered, to lie on the table.

Mr. Wick, from committee, reported a bill relative to the poor;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Hornblower, from committee, reported a bill for the relief of Albert Munn;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill for the relief of Thompson Price;

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The amendments made in Council, to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act for incorporating a literary institution in the town of Shrewsbury and County of Monmouth;"

Were read and agreed to, and said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled an act for the relief of creditors against absconding and absent debtors," passed 8th March, A. D. 1798,

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Earl,
Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monro,
Nevius,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
West.
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—33.

NAYS.

Messrs. Davis and Townsend—2.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The amendments made in Council, to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act relating to Hawkers, Pedlars, and Petty Chapmen, and to repeal former acts on that subject,"

Were read, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate the Paterson Centre Market,"

Was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to incorporate the Medford Water Company,"

Was read, and ordered a second reading.

The re-engrossed bill entitled "An act for the relief of Patrick Quin,"

Was read as amended;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis.
Earl,
Ellis,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hopper,
Hornblower,

Messrs. Hurley,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monro,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
West—31.

NAYS.

Messrs. Foster,
Nevius,
Messrs. Wurts, Speaker—3.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and inform them that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendment made thereto in Council, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

Ordered, That the House proceed to the order of the day.

The bill, to amend the judicial system of this state,

Was taken up, and the first section being under consideration, the same was disagreed to, by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Davis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kline,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monro,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Ward,
Wick—22.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Earl,
Ellis,
Fithian,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Van Winkle,
Warren,
Wells,
Wurts, Speaker—17.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the following bills without amendment: An act to incorporate the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank of Middletown-Point; an act to incorporate the Camden and Amboy Rail Road and Transportation Company; and an act to incorporate the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company.

Mr. Summers, with leave, presented a bill for the preservation of deer and other game, and to prevent trespassing with guns;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The bill to amend the judicial system of this state,

Was again taken up, amended, and gone through with by sections, and ordered to be printed as amended.

Mr. Chetwood, presented a memorial in favour of a rail road from Jersey City to Camden;

Ordered, to lie on the table.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail Road Company,"

Was read a third time and compared;

When on motion to recommit,

The yeas and nays being called,

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Cruser,
Davis,
Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hopper,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Merkle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Swing,
Wells,
West—19.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Earl,
Fithian,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Mickle,
Monro,
Summers,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—21.

After which, the motion to recommit was reconsidered,

When said bill was ordered to be recommitted.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to repeal an act entitled a supplement to the act entitled an act for the preservation of sheep," passed the 9th day of June, 1820, without amendment.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, February 5, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, presented a petition from inhabitants of New-Brunswick, for a law authorizing a lottery for certain purposes;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Schenck, and Hinchman.

Mr. Hinchman, from committee, reported a bill for the relief of Hugh Aggins;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Nevius, from committee, to whom was referred the documents relating to the arrangement with Pennsylvania, for the mutual use of the waters of the Delaware, made the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the report of the commissioners appointed by the legislatures of this state, and the state of Pennsylvania respectively, to effect an arrangement for the mutual use of the waters of the river Delaware, and also the papers and documents relating to that subject, beg leave to report that they have examined the said report, and the instrument of agreement accompanying the same, made and concluded between the said commissioners, and are of opinion that, if the same can be carried into effect, the interest and welfare of this state will be greatly promoted. Your committee have not been unmindful of the several remonstrances addressed to the House and referred to them, expressing opinions adverse to said compact, and protesting against its ratification. These remonstrances expressing serious apprehensions, that the execution of the aforesaid compact, will be greatly detrimental if not absolutely ruinous to the fisheries and natural navigation of the river Delaware, are entitled to great respect, as well from the character, as the number of petitioners; but your committee believe that there is no good cause for such apprehensions, and that the dams proposed in said agreement will not materially obstruct either the navigation of the river, or the passage of fish; they beg leave however to state, that this opinion is founded rather upon the reasoning contained in the report of the commissioners, and the engineers appointed by them, than from any personal knowledge of the subject. Your committee have also considered the recommendation of the commissioners to the legislatures of Pennsylvania and New-

Jersey, in regard to the improvement of the natural navigation of the river Delaware, below Trenton, and approve of the suggestions contained therein; they therefore recommend to the House the passage of the following bills, viz.

An act relative to the agreement made between this state and the state of Pennsylvania, by commissioners, for the mutual use of the waters of the river Delaware; Also,

An act to provide for the improvement of the river Delaware below Trenton;

Which report of the committee was accepted,

And said bills severally read, and ordered second readings and to be printed.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act for the relief of Thompson Price,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Kline.
	Chetwood,		Little,
	Cruser,		Merkle,
	Davis,		Mickle,
	Earl,		Monro,
	Ellis,		Potts,
	Evans,		Summers,
	Farlee,		Swing,
	Fithian,		Vliet,
	Foster,		Warren,
	Hinchman,		Ward,
	Hornblower,		Wells,
	Hurley,		West,
	Ireland,		Wurts, Speaker—29.
	Kirkpatrick,		

NAYS.

essrs.	Black,	Messrs.	Schenck,
	Hancock,		Townsend,
	Nevius,		Wick—6.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act abolishing imprisonment for debt in certain cases,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Kirkpatrick,
	Black.		Little,
	Chetwood,		Merkle,
	Cruser,		Monro,
	Davis,		Nevius,
	Earl,		Potts,
	Ellis,		Summers,
	Evans,		Swing,
	Hancock,		Van Winkle,
	Hinchman,		Warren,
	Hornblower,		Wells,
	Howell,		West,
	Hurley,		Wurts, Speaker—27.
	Jeffers,		

NAYS.

Messrs.	Farlee,	Messrs.	Schenck,
	Fithian,		Townsend,
	Foster,		Vliet,
	Ireland,		Ward,
	Mickle,		Wick—10.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that said bill be sent to council for concurrence.

The re-engrossed bill entitled "An act for incorporating a literary institution in the town of Shrewsbury and county of Monmouth."

Was read as amended ;

And on the question, shall this bill pass ?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

YEAS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Jeffers,
	Black,		Little,
	Chetwood,		Merkle,
	Cruser,		Mickle,
	Davis,		Monro,
	Earl,		Summers,
	Ellis,		Swing,
	Evans,		Vliet,
	Farlee,		Van Winkle,
	Fithian,		Ward,
	Hinchman,		Warren,
	Howell,		Wells,
	Hurley,		West,
	Ireland,		Wick—28.

NAYS.

Messrs. Foster,	Messrs. Nevius,
Hornblower,	Potts,
Kirkpatrick,	Schenck,
Kline,	Wurts, speaker—8.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and inform them that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendments made thereto in Council, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The bill to appoint Anthony Rutgers trustee in the place of Peter Kean, dec.,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to authorize the conveyance of certain real estate, in Newark, to Albert Munn,

Was read a second time and gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Jeffers, with leave, presented, a supplement to the small cause act;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Jeffers, also, with leave, presented a supplement to the law concerning roads;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Hornblower, offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved, by the Council and General Assembly of this state, that the governor be, and he is hereby requested and authorized, to appoint and employ some suitable person or persons, to revise the public statutes of this state; and that it be the duty of the person or persons so to be appointed, to embody, so far as practicable, the various supplements to different statutes, into one statute, embracing the objects to which such original statutes and supplements refer respectively: and further, that it be the duty of the person or persons, so to be appointed, to report such revision, so far as the same shall be prepared, to the next session of the legislature;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill concerning forcible entries and detainers,

Was taken up, progressed in, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

The bill to incorporate the Belvidere Bank,

Was taken up, read a second time, and a motion to strike out the first section of the bill, was lost as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Davis,
Cruser,	Earl,

Messrs. Fithian,	Messrs. Little,
Foster,	Swing,
Hornblower,	Townsend,
Ireland,	Warren—13.
Kline,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Nevius,
Ellis,	Potts,
Evans,	Schenck,
Farlee,	Summers,
Hancock,	Vliet,
Hinchman,	Van Winkle,
Howell,	Ward,
Jeffers,	West,
Kirkpatrick,	Wick,
Merkle,	Wurts, Speaker—21.
Monro,	

When on motion, the same was postponed until this afternoon.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, leave was given to Solyman Brown to lecture this evening in the Assembly Room.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

The bill to incorporate the Belvidere Bank,

Was again taken up, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to "incorporate the Warren Mining Company,"

Was taken up, read a second time, and gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to authorize the clearing out of Dead river,

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and the same ordered to be engrossed for a third reading; when the

House adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, February 6, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Chetwood, presented a petition from the township of Westfield, relative to the borough courts of Elizabeth:

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, they will adjourn to Monday morning next.

The engrossed bill entitled "A supplement to an act entitled an act to authorize Peter Kean to fulfil the last will and testament of Peter Van Burgh Livingston, Esq. deceased," passed the 4th day of February 1815,

Was read a third time and compared,

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to council for concurrence.

The bill to regulate horse racing,

Was taken up, read a second time,

And on motion to strike out the first section,

Was lost by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Ireland,
Farlee,	Little,
Fithian,	Potts,
Foster,	Swing,
Hancock,	Townsend,
Hornblower,	Warren—13.
Hurley,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Nevius,
Chetwood,	Summers,
Cruser,	Vliet,
Davis,	Van Winkle,
Earl,	Ward,
Ellis,	West,
Evans,	Wick,
Hinchman,	Wurts, Speaker—17.
Merkle,	

When on motion said bill was for the present postponed.

The bill relative to the drowned lands in the county of Sussex,

Was read a second time, and gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow morning.

MONDAY, February 8, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

A Quorum not appearing, the House adjourned to three o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Ireland, presented a remonstrance against erecting floodgates in Mantua Creek;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Earl, with leave, presented a bill to incorporate the Eagle Fire Company of Mill-Hill, in the county of Burlington;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Earl, also presented, with leave, a bill to limit the number of judges in the several counties of this state;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Hornblower, with leave, presented a bill regulating the publication of orders and notices of courts in certain cases;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Potts, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Lambertsville, in the county of Hunterdon, for the establishment of a bank at that place;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Potts, Bennett, and Summers.

The bill for the liberation of prisoners, in certain cases,

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and the title amended, so as to read, a further supplement to the act entitled "An act to regulate the practice of courts of law," passed the 14th February, 1799; and the same ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council has passed the bill entitled "An act to authorize Elizabeth Whitaker and Ebenezer Westcott, administrators of John Whitaker, deceased, to fulfil a certain contract therein named," and request the concurrence of the House of Assembly to the same;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The supplement to the act confirming conveyances of lands made by wills and powers of attorney; and declaring what exemplifications of records and other things shall be received as evidence of estates of inheritance, and transferring of uses into possession, passed 17th March, 1713 and 14,

Was read a second time and gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to carry into effect a contract

for the sale of a lot of land at Newark, in the county of Essex, made by Cyrus Munn in his life time,"

Was read a third time and compared, and ordered to be re-committed.

The bill apportioning the representation of the several counties of this state, in the House of Assembly,

Was read a second time, and postponed on the first section.

The bill to repeal an act entitled "A further supplement to an act for the preservation of deer and other game, and to prevent trespassing with guns," passed the 28th November, 1822,

Was read a second time, and gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to pension Hugh Aggings, a revolutionary soldier,

Was read a second time by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading,

When the House adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. to morrow morning.

TUESDAY, February 9, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Nevius, from committee, reported a supplement to the law relative to common schools;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Hornblower, from committee, to whom was recommitted the bill relative to a contract for the sale of certain real estate, made by Cyrus Munn, in his life time, reported the same with amendments;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Ordered, That the printing of the same be dispensed with.

Mr. Van Winkle, from committee, to whom was recommitted the bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail Road Company, reported the same with amendments;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Kline, presented a petition from inhabitants of Somerset, in favour of a rail road from Somerville to Elizabeth Town.

Ordered, to lie on the table.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, low lands, and swamps, adjoining the Dead River, to clear the same, within the limits therein mentioned,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The bill relative to the arrangement made with the state of Pennsylvania, for the use of the waters of the Delaware river,

Was taken up, progressed in, when on motion a further consideration of the same was postponed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to authorize Elizabeth Whitaker and Ebenezer Westcott, administrators of John Whitaker, deceased, to fulfil a certain contract therein named,"

Was read a second time, and ordered a third reading.

The bill to alter the boundary lines of the townships of Randolph and Pequannac, in the county of Morris,

Was taken up, and ordered to be postponed to the next session of the Legislature.

The supplement to the act concerning Landlords and Tenants,

Was taken up, and while under consideration, the House adjourned to three o'clock P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

A Message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled a supplement to the act entitled "An act to authorize Peter Kean to fulfil the last will and testament of Peter Van Burgh Livingston, esq. deceased, passed the 4th day of February, A. D. 1815," without amendment; also, that Council had passed the bill entitled "An act to authorize Thomas J. Wharton, esquire, administrator of Bloomfield M'Ilvaine, esquire, deceased, to make and execute a deed of conveyance to Robert Moses," to which they request the assent of the House of Assembly;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Chetwood, presented various documents relating to the New Barbadoes Toll bridge Company.

Ordered, to lie on the table.

The supplement to the act concerning landlords and tenants,

Was again taken up, and gone through with by sections, and on the question of engrossment, the House was equally divided, 18 rising in favour, and 18 against; whereupon the speaker declared that the engrossment of said bill was refused, the chair declining to vote, on the ground that the rules of the House did not authorize him to give a vote, under such circumstances; an appeal was made from this decision of the chair, four members making the demand, which appeal was sustained by the House.

The vote on engrossing said bill,

Was then, on motion, ordered to be reconsidered, and the yeas and nays being called, it was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Davis,
	Black,		Earl,
	Chetwood,		Foster,

Messrs. Hornblower,
Jackson,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Monro,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Swing,
Vail,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
Wurts, Speaker—21.

NAYS.

Messrs. Cruser,
Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Hancock,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Howell,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Jeffers,
Kline,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Summers,
Townsend,
Vliet,
West—19.

The bill to regulate horse racing,

Was taken up, and the second section being under consideration,

Mr. Hornblower, offered as an amendment to said section, a proviso, prohibiting the formation of any associations for the establishment of a race course, in the county of Essex;

Which amendment was lost by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,
Earl,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hornblower,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Townsend—9.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Howell,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monro,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Vail,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wurts, Speaker—31.

The yeas and nays being called, on agreeing to the second section, which authorized the farmers and others to form associations for the establishment of fairs and markets, for the exhibition and sale of horses and courses for training and trials of speed, it was agreed to as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Evans,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Howell,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Summers,
Vail,
Vliet,
Ward,
Wells,
West—20.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hornblower,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Kline,
Little,
Monro,
Potts,
Schenck,
Swing,
Townsend,
Van Winkle,
Warren,
Wurts, speaker—19.

When the bill was further progressed in,
And while the 5th section was under consideration, the House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, February 10, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Ordered, That the committee to whom was referred the subject of alterations in the Assembly Room, be instructed to have a stove placed within the bar of the House.

Mr. Chetwood and Mr. Kline, severally presented petitions in favor of a rail road from Somerville to Elizabeth-Town.

Ordered, to lie on the table.

Mr. Hornblower, presented a petition from John Eugle, for an alteration in the law relating to certain real estate, late of John G. Leake, deceased;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Hornblower, Schenck, and Warren.

Mr. Jeffers, presented a memorial from Thomas Gordon, soliciting a further subscription for the Map of New-Jersey, lately published by him;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Jeffers, Earl, and Chetwood.

Mr. Wick, presented a memorial from inhabitants of Salem, in favor of and against an alteration in the law, relating to horse racing.

Ordered, to lie on the table.

Mr. Potts, from committee, reported a bill for the establishment of a bank at Lambertsville, in Hunterdon county;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Jackson, with leave, presented a bill for the preservation of deer and other game, and to prevent trespassing with guns, and to repeal a former act on that subject;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Earl, from committee, reported a bill to repeal the act directing the mode of appointing surrogates; and also,

A bill relating to the appointment of prosecutors of the pleas, in the several counties;

Which were severally read, and ordered second readings, and to be printed.

The engrossed bill entitled "A supplement to the act confirming conveyance of lands made, and to be made, by wills and powers of attorney, and declaring what exemplifications of records and other things, shall be received as evidence of estates of inheritance, and transferring of uses into possession," passed 17th March, 1713 & 14,

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That said bill be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill, "A further supplement to the act entitled an act to regulate the practice of the courts of law," passed 14th February, 1799,

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Fithian,	Messrs. Hornblower—3.
Foster,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Chetwood,
Black,	Cruser,

Messrs. Davis,	Messrs. Mickle,
Earl,	Monro,
Ellis,	Nevius,
Evans,	Schenck,
Farlee,	Summers,
Hancock,	Swing,
Hinchman,	Townsend,
Hopper,	Vail,
Howell,	Vliet,
Hurley,	Van Winkle,
Jackson,	Ward,
Jeffers,	Warren,
Kirkpatrick,	Wells,
Kline,	West,
Little,	Wick,
Merkle,	Wurts, Speaker—36.

The bill from Council, entitled " An act to authorize Elizabeth Whiteker and Ebenezer Westcott, administrators of John Whiteker, deceased, to fulfil a certain contract therein named,"

Was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass ?

It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council, that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The engrossed bill, entitled " An act to incorporate the Belvidere Bank,

Was read a third time and compared ;

And on the question, shall this bill pass ?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Jeffers,
Chetwood,	Merkle,
Ellis,	Mickle,
Evans,	Monro,
Farlee,	Schenck,
Hancock,	Summers,
Hinchman,	Vail,
Hopper,	Vliet,
Hornblower,	Ward,
Howell,	Wells,
Hurley,	West.
Jackson,	Wick—24.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Davis,
Cruser.	Earl,

Messrs. Fithian,
Foster,
Ireland,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Nevius,
Potts,
Swing,
Townsend,
Van Winkle,
Warren,
Wurts, Speaker—17.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the Warren Mining Company,"
Was read a third time and compared;
And on the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline.
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
Wick,
West,
Wurts, Speaker—37.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ellis,
Hancock,
Howell,
Monro—4.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The resolution relative to a revision of the public statutes of this state,
Was called up, read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to prevent horse racing, except under certain regulations and at certain times,

Was again taken up, when

Mr. Hornblower offered, as an amendment, an additional section, "to prevent the running, trotting, or pacing of any gelding,"

And the yeas and nays being called, said amendment was disagreed to, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Chetwood,	Messrs. Monro,
Fithian,	Potts,
Foster,	Schenck,
Hancock,	Swing,
Hornblower,	Townsend,
Hurley,	Van Winkle,
Ireland,	Ward,
Jackson,	Warren—17.
Little,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Kirkpatrick,
Black,	Merkle,
Cruser,	Mickle,
Davis,	Nevius,
Earl,	Summers,
Ellis,	Vail,
Evans,	Vliet,
Farlee,	Wells,
Hinchman,	West,
Hopper,	Wick,
Howell,	Wurts, Speaker—23.
Jeffers,	

After which said bill having been read a second time, and gone through with by sections,

Was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to repeal an act entitled, a further supplement to an act for the preservation of deer and other game, and to prevent trespassing with guns," passed 28th November, A. D. 1822,

Was read a third time, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

Mr. Hornblower, from committee, reported a bill to amend an act protecting certain real estate, late of John G. Leake, deceased;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The bill relative to the taking of acknowledgments in other states,

Was read a second time, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

The resolution for this House to rise on the 18th inst.

Was taken up and amended, so as to read,

Resolved, That this House will rise on Thursday the 25th instant, and agreed to as amended.

The bill to secure and defend the public revenue, arising from oyster grounds,

Was taken up, read a second time, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

The bill to authorize certain persons to build a bridge over South River,

Was read a second time, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House, that Council had disagreed to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act for the relief of Thompson Price."

The supplement to an act constituting courts for the trial of small causes,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be postponed to the next session of the legislature.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock A. M. to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, February 11, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Warren, with leave, presented a bill relative to the taking of acknowledgments;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The bill from Council, entitled "a supplement to the act entitled an act to authorize the holding of special terms of the Courts of Common Pleas, in and for the counties therein named," passed December 10th 1825,

Was taken up, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

The House proceeded to the order of the day,

When the bill to secure and defend the public revenue, arising from the oyster grounds within this state,

Was taken up, and while under consideration the House adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, from committee, reported a bill to improve the navigation of the Raritan river;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Hillard, from joint committee, to settle the accounts of the State Prison, and to report what measures would be proper to be adopted as an amendment to our State-Prison dicipline, made the following report:

That they have carefully examined the accounts submitted, and have compared them so far as was considered necessary with the entries in the books, and with the vouchers.

They find the following to be the state of the monied concerns of the institution, as exhibited under each respective head.

PROVISION ACCOUNT.

The amount of provisions on hand on the 1st of October, 1828, as per inventory and valuation then made, was		$240 80
Amount expended from that time to the 30th September, 1829, was		1725 27¼
Making whole amount of provisions		$1966 07¼
From this sum is to be deducted amount sold by the keeper	103 97½	
Value of provisions on hand as per inventory	268 90	372 87½
Leaving amount expended for provisions for the whole year		$1593 19¾

CLOTHING ACCOUNT.

Amount on hand, 30th September, 1828, as per inventory		$240 51
Amount expended from that time to 30th Sept. 1829		536 27
Making whole amount for clothing		$776 78
From this is to be deducted amount received for clothing, made by the prisoners, &c.	41 66	
Amount on hand, 1st Oct. 1829, as per inventory	227 95	269 61
Leaving whole amount expended for clothing for the year		$507 17

INCIDENTAL ACCOUNT.

Amount of inventory, 1st October, 1828		$307 00½
Amount expended chargeable to this account		397 36½
Whole amount charged to this account		$704 37
From which is to be deducted articles sold &c.	42 26¼	359 24¼
Amount of inventory, 1st Oct. 1829	316 98	
Leaving amount chargeable to this account for the whole year,		$345 12¾

FURNITURE ACCOUNT.

Amount of inventory, 1st October, 1828		$893 36½
Amount expended up to 1st October, 1829		199 88
Making whole amount		$1093 24½
From which is to be deducted amount received on sale of ten plate stove	8 00	1075 09
Amount of inventory, 1st Oct. 1829	1069 09	
Leaving amount expended on this account for the year		$18 15½

PRISON REPAIRS.

Amount of inventory, 1st. October, 1828		$12 40
Amount expended up to 1st Oct. 1829		70 37
		$82 72
From which deduct amount of inventory, 1st Oct. 1829		16 83
Leaving amount chargeable to this account for the whole year		$65 94

FINAL ACCOUNT.

Amount of inventory, 1st October, 1828		$45 00½
Amount expended up to 1st October, 1829		503 93½
		$548 93½
From which deduct 1¼ cords of wood at $4—$5		35 00
Amount of inventory, 1st Oct. 1829	30	
Leaving amount expended for the whole year		$513 93½

NAIL FACTORY ACCOUNT.

Amount of inventory, 1st Oct. 1828	$532 29½

Amount expended, 1 pair bellows and freight on sundry articles		5 80
Making whole amount expended		538 09¼
This account is to be credited with articles sold	28 19¾	548 16¾
Amount of inventory, 1st October 1829	519 97	
Making a profit on this account for the year		$10 07¼

COOPERAGE ACCOUNT.

Amount of inventory, Oct. 1st, 1829		$36 50
Amount expended, 500 hoop poles and porterage		5 87½
Making whole amount		$42 37½
This acct. is credited with articles sold	26 30	58 11¼
Amount of inventory, Oct. 1, 1829	31 81¼	
Making profit on this account for the year		$15 73¾

PLAISTER ACCOUNT.

Amount of inventory, Oct. 1, 1828		$252 82½
Amount expended on this account for material, &c.		145 62½
Making whole amount		398 45
This am't. is to be credited with articles sold	642 47½	753 80
Amount of inventory, 1st Oct. 1829	111 32½	
Making the profit on this account for the year		$355 35

SUNDRY ACCOUNT.

Amount of inventory, Oct. 1, 1828		$94 95
Amount expended		25 05¾
Making in all the sum of		$120 00¾
This account is credited with work done by prisoners,	90 78¼	$246 88¾
Amount of inventory, Oct. 1, 1829	156 12	
Making the profit on this account for the year		126 88

CORDWAINERS' ACCOUNT.

Amount of inventory, Oct. 1st 1828	$321 54½

Amount of purchases, chargeable to this account		675 12½
Making whole amount		$996 67
This account is to be credited with articles sold	1813 26¼	2102 70¼
Amount of inventory, Oct. 1, 1829	289 44	
Making the profit on this account for the year		$1106 03¼

WEAVING ACCOUNT.

Amount of inventory, Oct. 1st, 1828		578 10
Amount expended on this account		469 67¾
Making in all		$1047 77¾
This account is credited with articles sold	2201 90¼	2756 69¼
Amount of inventory, 1st Oct. 1829	554 79	
Making the profit, for the year, on this account		$1708 91¼

STONE SAWING ACCOUNT.

Amount of inventory, Oct. 1, 1828		$50 00
Amount paid for carting, &c.		6 50
Making in all		$56 50
This account is to be credited with sawing	35 82	85 82
Amount of inventory, 1st Oct. 1829	50 00	
Making profit on this account for the year		$29 32

INTEREST ACCOUNT.

Amount paid chargeable to this account	$11 11½
Amount credited to this account, being interest received	86 79
Making a profit on this account	$75 67½

PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

Uncurrent notes on hand	$34 00
Paid for transcribing law	4 00
	$38 00

By the foregoing account, it appears that the amount received at the Prison, is, on the		
Nail Factory account		$10 07¼
Cooperage account		15 37¾
Plaister account		355 35
Sundry account		126 88
Cordwainers' account		1106 03¼
Weaving account		1708 91¼
Stone-sawing account		29 32
Interest account		75 67½
Making whole amount received		$3427 98¼
There has been expended on the		
Provision account	1593 19¾	
Clothing account	507 17	
Incidental account	345 12¾	
Furniture account	18 15½	
Prison repairs	65 94	
Fuel account	513 93½	
Profit and loss account	38 00	
Making the whole amount expended		$3081 52½
Which being deducted from amount received, makes the gain or profit of the prison		$346 46
The whole amount expended on account of the State Prison, from October 1st, 1828, to October 1st, 1829, is		$8410 04¾
To which add salary for principal keeper	800 00	
4 assistant keepers, at $400,	1600 00	
Clerk	500 00	
Guard	67 50	
Physician	75 00	
Chaplain	75 00	
		$3117 50
Making whole amount expended during the year		$11527 54¾
Amount received during same period, including amount on hand as per different inventories		8750 50¾
Making the loss of the institution for the year ending October 1st, 1829		$2771 04
To ascertain the net gain over and above the expense of keeping the prisoners, exclusive of salaries, there must be added to the amount of profit, as before stated		$346 46
For prison repairs, this not being properly chargeable to the expense of keeping prisoners		65 94
Counterfeit money received by former keeper, and charged to this year's account		34 00

Paid for a copy of law, not part of prison expenses	4 00
Purchase made in 1828, and charged this year	140 00
Making the amount received over and above the expense for keeping prisoners	$590 85
By referring to the statement, as made by the committee, in the year 1828, it will be found that the actual loss of the operations of that year of the prison, exclusive of keepers' salaries, was	$400 41½
To this add the amount gained this year, exclusive of salaries	590 85
Makes a difference in favour of the prison, between the past year and the year preceding, of	$991 26½
The foregoing account does not shew the amount paid out of the treasury for the costs of prosecution and transportation of prisoners, which, by the treasurer's account, appears to amount to	$1759 52
To which add loss before stated	2771 04
Makes the actual loss of the institution for the year ending the 1st of October, 1829	$4530 56

From the accounts as presented by the inspectors, it is altogether impossible to ascertain, with accuracy, the actual expenditures and receipts of the institution, so far as it regards the expenses and labor of the prisoners.

These accounts shew the amount in value of articles on hand, on the first of October, 1828; the amount of purchases, for one year, up to October first, 1829; the amount chargeable, or to be credited, to each particular account for the year; and the amount, in value, of the articles on hand at the expiration of the year. And these accounts are divided and subdivided into as many heads as the ingenuity of book-keeping can suggest. The *same kind* of articles are debited and credited under different heads or accounts. But in all the variety, there is no *cash account* to be found; no account shewing, at one view, the amount of money expended, and the amount of money received, and for what the money was received and expended. It is by such an account, alone, that it is possible, with accuracy, to shew the true state of the institution, as it regards its monied concerns.

There were confined in the prison, on the first day of October, 1829, ninety prisoners. Of these, there were received, from the 1st of October, 1828, to the 1st of October, 1829, forty-four. There are fifty-four white men, *not one white woman*; twenty-nine free negro men; two free negro women; three negro men, slaves; and two negro women, slaves. There are eighty-three Americans, three English, and four Irish.

Seventy-nine are committed for the first offence; seven for the second; two for the third; and two for the fourth.

Sixteen are employed in shoe-making; twenty-six in weaving; thirteen in spooling; three as carpenters; one in basket-making; two in coopering; three as tailors; five in spinning; three in washing and attending cells; four in stone-sawing; one as a baker; two as cooks; two in sawing wood, &c. &c. Three are unable to work, and there are six in solitary confinement.

The committee have thought it necessary to make a new inventory of what are considered the standing articles in the prison, which inventory is herewith submitted, marked—Exhibit A. By comparing this inventory with the one, handed to the commitee by the inspectors, there appears a difference of *nine hundred and seventeen dollars and fifty cents.* The inventory and appraisement made by the committee being so much less than the one made by the Inspectors.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. HOWELL, } *Committee of Council.*
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The Committee appointed to settle the accounts of the State-Prison, and to which was assigned the additional duty of reporting a system of Prison discipline, beg leave further to report:

That in order to make a thorough investigation into the affairs of the prison, so far as it regards the discipline of the same, and the manner in which its affairs have been conducted, the legislature, by resolution, empowered the committee to send for persons and papers.

By virtue of this authority, your committee have examined with great particularity into all the concerns of the institution, and have arranged the evidence under different heads.

The principal object has been to shew the difficulty, under the present construction and arrangement of the buildings, shops and offices, to enforce a proper discipline, and also to point out the expenses attendant on the present arrangement.

1st. ON THE CONSTRUCTION.

THE GUARD ROOM is on the north west corner of the building. It commands a view of neither the yard, the shops, the wings, or the walls of the prison; here the principal keeper, and the clerk, who acts as deputy, transact much of their business; and while they do this, they know nothing from actual observation, for the time being, of the conduct of the assistant keepers, or prisoners, in any

part of the establishment. They might as well be placed in one of the solitary cells, so far as the inspection and control of the prison is concerned. The prisoners might rise upon the under keepers, in the shops; the prisoners, in the cells of either the north or south wing, might make their escape; the sentinel, on the wall, might sleep at his post, and the principal keeper and his deputy, in the guard room, be so far removed from hearing, and cut off from sight, as to know nothing of it. Instead of this, the guard room should command, from one position, the range of cells, the whole yard, the prisoners in the shops, under their respective officers, and the sentinel on the wall; then the principal keeper, from the guard room, or in his absence, his deputy, commands the whole establishment.

Again, the NIGHT ROOMS are not sufficiently numerous to separate the men. They are put two, three, and four, in a room; and the rooms are constructed, that the men can freely communicate from window to window, and from door to door, and from the building to the street. Besides all this, the halls, by the side of which the night rooms are arranged, are separated from the passage, leading to the room, where the watch is on duty, by solid doors, with complicated fastenings, and this passage, by other doors, from the guard room. Thus the prisoners, by the construction of the night rooms, are removed as far as possible from the inspection, or control of the subordinate officers. In consequence of this, we shall see in the progress of the report, how many plans of mischief are devised, and how many escapes are effected, from the arrangement and construction of the night rooms.

The SHOPS, too, and other places of labour, are scattered about, without form or unity of design; and the men are necessarily divided into small companies, so that it would require a much larger number of keepers, than are at present employed, to exercise a constant inspection of the men, without which there can be no thorough discipline. One of the buildings is divided into five small apartments, which would require as many officers, to keep a proper discipline; while in the whole of this building, with the present number of keepers, there can be but *one* officer. In the other apartments of this building, therefore, there may be traffic of the state's property, gambling, fighting, and other mischief, without detection.

The COOKERY, HOSPITAL and PLACE OF WORSHIP also, are inconvenient and concealed. The *cookery*, is directly under the centre building, far removed from the observation of a keeper. From the front window of the cookery, the prisoners have been in the habit of passing and repassing things to persons in the street. This is a very natural and easy outlet for the shoes, belonging to the state, which are missing. The *hospital* is an old room, not well ventilated, and is so impregnated with the prison smell, that it would be likely to make a well person sick; and is so situated as not to be under inspection, or control, unless an officer is set apart for this duty; which cannot be done without an increase of officers. Finding this a convenient place of concealment, the prisoners under false pretences, leave their work, and get into it. The *chapel* is liable to similar ob-

jections. It is separated by four passages, and five doors, from the building, in which the prisoners are lodged; so that much time and labour are necessary in getting the prisoners into it. And besides, it is a small and uncomfortable place for the religious worship of so many men. It is in its size and character like the hospital. It is one of the old night rooms, used many years ago for the purpose of lodging the men, before the south wing was built.

The SENTINEL'S BOX, on the wall, is not well designed. It does not command the interior of the yard. There are many hiding places, where the men can screen themselves from the observation of the sentinel, behind the shops, and other buildings, and many prisoners prepare themselves, without his knowledge, or the knowledge of the men under whose particular care they are placed, for attempting to escape. Besides, the sentinel cannot command the north wall, on the north side; nor the west wall, on the west side; nor the south wall, on the south side. Discharged convicts, therefore, and persons ill disposed, can approach the prison from north, south, and west, without the knowledge of the sentinel, on the wall, and furnish prohibited articles, and implements of mischief, and escape, to the convicts. We dwell the longer on the construction of the prison, in this respect, because we shall see the consequences of it, in the progress of the report, in the very great number of escapes, which have taken place, since the prison was built. Thus we have seen, that the guard room, the night rooms, the shops, the cookery, hospital, chapel, and sentinel box are not properly constructed.

2d. ON THE DISCIPLINE OF THE PRISON AS CONNECTED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION.

In a prison, thus constructed, there can be no discipline. *The subordinate officers are not subordinate.* The principal keeper has no good position, from which to command his men. It would take him a long time to go around the prison, and look them all up. Instead of which, he should have a position, from which, he can, at once overlook officers, as well as prisoners. This would effectually prevent those faults, which the keeper of the prison, in his official report to the committee, says, page 2. "*he found requiring a remedy, 1st. great laxity on the part of the assistant keepers, in their duty; leaving the prisoners alone to the great neglect of their occupations, and the destruction of all system and order. 2d. the general prevalence of insubordination and the pre-existence of a perfect familiarity, and almost unrestrained intercourse among the prisoners, and between the prisoners and the assistant keepers; and 3d. the extensive indulgence of a system of traffic, between the prisoners and their keepers, in which articles made by them, and property over which they had no control, were exchanged with the keepers, for other commodities in a secret and covert manner.*" How are these things to be prevented, if the principal keeper is to be shut up in a room, from which he can see nothing, that is done by officers or men. The great principle of unceasing inspection is lost sight of, and these deeds of darkness are done, because they can be done in the dark. The way

to correct them is, to bring them out into open day, so that the principal keeper can at any moment, with a single glance of his eye, inspect the whole establishment.

In consequence, partly of the same defect in the construction of the buildings, *the convicts are idle and disorderly.* The shops are so divided and subdivided, that there are nearly twice as many separate apartments, for the convicts, as there are officers. The convicts, therefore, must necessarily, be left alone. This single disadvantage, would break up the discipline of the best prison in the world. The officers leave the shops, and the convicts of course leave their work. In such circumstances, what security can there possibly be, that the convicts shall be all the time. profitably at work.

There are complaints not only, that the convicts are idle and disorderly in the shops, but they leave the shops, and go into the yard; and one witness testified that "he could not get them back, till they were sent for." The reason assigned by them for leaving the shops are from necessity; but in a well constructed prison, there is a water closet connected with every shop, which only one man can enter at a time, and which he can enter only from the shop, and this breaks up all necessity for leaving the shops, and all opportunity for false pretences, in regard to this thing, and leaves the keeper the command of his men; so that all, excepting one, at every moment of time, are under his eye, and this one, who for a little time is removed from his observation, is in solitary, and it is known where he is.

As the prison is constructed, *there are various opportunities for combination in mischief, among the prisoners, which are broken up at once in a well constructed prison.* Much evidence is furnished to the committee by different witnesses, concerning a combination of men in the prison called the STAUNCH GANG. One witness says, "*they will lie, and swear to it; they will steal provision, and carry it off; they will lurk in the kitchen and steal other men's provision; they will threaten each others lives; they will make dirks; they will lie, steal, and gamble; they will make their own cards. I gave one of the inspectors one pack, and sent one pack to a friend in the country, that he might see what can be done in the prison. They have rules by which they are bound to each other; one rule is, if a man tells any thing, they will fall a foul of him and beat him.*"

Another witness was asked if he knew any thing about the STAUNCH GANG. He said there was such a GANG. *They would not tell of each other; if they did, they would beat the informer. He had known one stab another. They consider him a traitor, who informs of their evil deeds. Such men are called snitch.*

Another witness says, the STAUNCH GANG, are persons *combined together to get away, and not to tell each others secrets.* "If any one tells of them they fall on him and beat him. There was a black man nearly killed in the weave shop. They took the stone coal and beat him on the head: and, it cut like a knife. He was nearly killed." Another witness, when asked about the staunch gang, said "he thought the state had better let them go, than be under such discipline. They have frequently drawn knives upon each other in the

yard. In one instance one would have cut out the bowels of the other."

Much evidence has also been furnished to the committee, concerning the want of power to enforce discipline among the convicts, *in consequence of the manner in which the south wing is constructed where the convicts sleep.* One witness says the prisoners will steal oil to burn in the cells, and carry sticks and strings to the cells, that they may pass things, from one to the other, and from door to door.

Another witness was asked if the convicts could communicate with each other, after they were locked up at night. He said, *they could communicate with each other, twenty of them.* Witness says, that the convicts often worked in the cells, on the sabbath, making hats; he had caught them at it and put a stop to it; but he did expect they carried it on. He gave the name of the convict who made a complete ladder in the cells to scale the walls; with which it was done. Witness was asked if he heard any conversation among the men at night, he said "that it was impossible to prevent it; and the former keeper was opposed to it, in the way the men are kept; they would be generally talking about roguery." Witness then gave a particular account of the instruction he heard an experienced thief give one less experienced, about the best way of raising twenty dollars to begin with after he got out. The latter was a young convict who was soon to be discharged.

Another witness says, "the men are so much together, it is very much against the interest of the institution. They talk about what they have done, and what they will do, and how they may get out."

Another witness believes, "that the prisoners have had knowledge of the difficulties existing in the government of the prison. He has heard the prisoners talk about it in the cells. He has heard them talk about the change in the government of the prison, in the cells at night. He has heard the prisoners after they were locked up in the cells conversing with discharged prisoners, in the street. No longer ago than four weeks, two men came along and began to converse, and he stopped them."

Witness says further, "in the cells, one night, two of the prisoners fought, one bit the others finger, and a piece of the bone came out. They are put together old and young without regard to their crime. They lay their beds on the floor. They are single beds, but when there are three, they make them up all as one, and sleep altogether. They sometimes want to be separated, because they quarrel."

Another witness has often heard the prisoners talking from the south wing, with persons on the out side. He has caught them at it, late at night. They once shot an arrow attached to a string, into the street, and the string was found extending from the night room to the street—supposed to be for the purpose of drawing in something. Witness does not think, any thing more can be done for the benefit of the state, in that prison, than is now done.

Another witness speaking of putting three or four in a room, at night, and the things going on among the men, after they were lock-

ed up, concluded by saying, " as to that prison it is a mere burlesque on prisons."

Owing to the construction of the prison, it is very difficult, if not impossible, to prevent traffic with the prisoners, which is subversive of all discipline. In a properly constructed prison, it is the impression upon every mind, both of convict and assistant keeper, I am constantly under inspection. Every thing which I do will be seen. But there are so many hiding places in this prison, and so few facilities for inspection, that this seems, not at all, to be the impression, on the minds of either keeper or convict.

The principal keeper says, " when he became keeper of the prison, he found an extensive traffic between the prisoners and under keepers, particularly in the articles of straw hats and whip stalks. When asked to give a statement of the principal evils, which he had discovered in the prison. He said the shoe shop was a place of resort for the keepers; some of the keepers told him, that another was in the habit of going into the kitchen, and spending some time there, while his men went at loose ends. He watched the keeper of whom this complaint was made, and found that it was so. Since this he has found it of little use to attempt to enforce any orders, and has had enough to do to get along any way." He then gave a particular account of some hats, sold by a convict to a keeper, and the price put upon them by the convict.

Another witness stated, " that convicts had made hats to sell, it was likely they had made other things: they would be taken out and sold. He believed one of the keepers had taken out things, and sold them for the convicts." This keeper afterwards acknowledged to the committee, that he had done so. Witness further says, " the convicts get tobacco, I do not know how they get it, the proceeds of hats, and other things might buy it. There are many ways they have in common." Witness could not watch his men so as to know, where they went. There were more of them to watch him. They might go out if they pleased, and if he saw them about the wagons which came into the yard, he would drive them away. Witness said, that some time last spring, one of the keepers sold articles for the convicts. He understood the principal keeper was opposed to it, but it was done. I believe it was done in both their times.

Another witness, testifies, " that one of the keepers told him, that the old convict who takes care of the cloth from the weave shop, is never without money; that he used to traffic in tobacco, buy it and sell it out again."

Another witness, a citizen of Trenton, thinks he has seen one of the keepers carry articles to a certain store, and exchange them for the convicts. The keeper and store keeper referred to, were both called, and acknowledged that it was so. Witness did not believe, that the traffic was confined to this keeper.

Another witness knows, " that many articles were made in the prison by the convicts, but he does not know how they got out."

Another witness, one of the keepers, says, " he has thrown tobacco on the ground for convicts." This was done to avoid an order which prohibits assistant keepers from giving them tobacco.

Witness further says, "that his children have taken things from prisoners, and sold them, in exchange for other articles. He believes that all the keeper's children have done it. Witness explains by saying, "that they went on the wall, and let down strings to take things up; that it has also been done through the basement story windows, in front of the house with convicts in the cookery." Many of these things, it would be very difficult, if not impossible to prevent, in the buildings as they are now constructed. There is no point of observation from which there can be a thorough supervision, by the principal keeper of the whole establishment; but on the contrary, very many hiding places, besides a guard room for the principal keeper, and his deputy, from which they can only look into the street, and see nothing that is done in the prison.

For the same reason, the discipline is interrupted by a knowledge in the prison, among the convicts, of almost every thing that is done abroad.

The principal keeper says, that "things which take place in town are known to the prisoners within twenty-four hours, which could not be known except from the keepers; there is such a familiarity between them, that these things are all communicated." This familiarity, between keepers and convicts could soon be broken up, by the principal keeper, if he was faithful, if the construction was such, that he could from his office overlook the whole establishment, and see keepers and convicts at the same time.

Another witness said, that "it was too much the case, that there was a familiarity between the convicts and keepers. He says the convicts seem to know most every thing that is going on."

Another witness thinks "the convicts know what is going on in Trenton," and says "they will know within a month what is going on here to-day."

He says they have newspapers; "I have seen papers more than once; but did not see any one give them to the convicts." This is the great difficulty in this prison, almost any thing may be done, (there are so many hiding places to do mischief,) and the responsible officer cannot see who does it.

Owing in part to the construction of the prison, the discipline is such, that riots are frequent, and it is difficult to prevent them; there are many places for concealment, and necessarily from the construction, frequent opportunities for combination, out of which these riots have grown. The principal keeper said, "he had lately had an attempt at riot, and there was another riot, since he had been there, in the weave shop. The keeper was absent from his shop contrary to the regulations of the prison. The rule is, that no keeper shall leave his shop till the relief comes. This rule is violated every day:" This is the testimony of the principal keeper. While the assistant keepers say, truly, in their defence, that there are more shops, and places of labor for them to oversee, than there are keepers; and they are obliged to go from one to the other; consequently an opportunity for riot is afforded when the keeper of a shop is absent.

Another witness testified, "that they had pretty severe riots. If any one tells of them, they fall on him and beat him. It has been

done four or five times in a year." One of the inspectors testified, "that the prison had been in a regular state of insubordination, during the last year." Another witness, one of the contractors testified, "that he saw a very alarming riot, at the prison. When I went to the door, said witness, there could not have been less than thirty convicts, between the two shops. One of the keepers was doing all that he could to suppress it; another threatened to fire upon them from the wall; another keeper came to the gate and called for a musket. He was as pale as death. There was some private difficulty, between the two convicts, and the others took sides. I heard one of the convicts swear, that he would not leave the yard, till he had been the death of the other." If the prison was so constructed as to separate the convicts at night, and admit of keeping them in their places, in the day time, under constant inspection, both from the keepers in the shops, and those in the guard room, these riots would be effectually prevented.

Again, the discipline of the prison is destroyed by the keepers sleeping at their posts, and as the prison is constructed, the safety of the prison has frequently been endangered at night. The principal keeper testifies, "that during the summer, he found the assistant keepers sleeping on their posts at night. They were called before the board of inspectors, and acknowledged that they had done so." The board notified them through the keeper, that they should expect them hereafter to do their duty. After this the assistant keepers locked the principal keeper out of the Hall, which led to the room, where they were on duty one week, which he attempted to enter several times, but could not. The assistant keeper alleged as a reason for doing this, that the safety of the prison was in danger from discharged convicts, who had formed the design of coming over the wall in the night; entering the passage, which leads to the room, where the watch is on duty; securing the watch, and releasing the prisoners. About this time, according to the testimony of both the assistant and principal keeper, two or more discharged convicts did actually come over the wall, in the night, into the yard; the dogs gave the alarm; the keepers were at once on duty; the ladder was found where they had scaled the wall; the alarm bell was rung; but the villains made their escape. The principal keeper supposes that their object was plunder, as some shoes were found which they had taken from the shop, near the place where they had scaled the wall. The assistant keepers suppose that their object was the release of the prisoners.

Not a great while after this, there was another alarm of a similar kind, when the principal keeper was not at home; but it was not satisfactorily ascertained, whether at this time, any person from without, came over the wall. The result of the whole was, that a different arrangement was made between the principal and the assistant keepers, by which the former was supplied with a key to open the door of the passage, leading to the night watch, and the night watch were supplied with a key, that they might secure themselves against the assaults of discharged convicts. This would seem reasonable, so far as the safety of the prison is endangered from dis-

charged convicts; but it is not calculated to keep the night watch awake while on duty, because they are so securely locked, and concealed from observation, in a small room by themselves, that they might sleep on their posts, and still not be detected: for when the principal keeper comes to unlock the door of the passage leading to the watch room, the noise would be likely to awaken the night watch if he were asleep, so that the principal keeper would not know, whether he had been asleep or not.

There is another difficulty about the place where the night watch is on duty in this prison. If the watch is awake, he cannot see from the room where he is usually stationed, any part of the building, where the convicts are lodged. He must leave his station, and go out into the passage, and pass through one or two doors, before he comes to the only place where he can see the night rooms, and even then he must go into four stories, and peep over the tops of eight doors, before he can inspect forty cells, and after all, he can only see the doors, he cannot see the interior of the cells, nor know whether the convicts are there, or whether they have escaped through the roof or external walls into the yard.

In a prison, properly constructed, the place where the night watch is on duty, is not liable to such objections; because the principal keeper from his private apartment, at any moment, can look in upon him, and see that he is awake, without the knowledge of the night watch; and the night watch, from the open space in which he is placed, by changing his position, 30 feet, without passing through any door, can command the doors and windows of every night room in the building, and at the same time, if a convict gets out of his cell, he is not only exposed to the fire of the sentinel, but he is still in prison, for it is a prison within a prison. He has got out of one prison into another. He has got out of his cell, but he has gotten into a place, where he is exposed to the fire of the sentinel, and if the alarm is given, to the fire of the musketry of all the keepers in the guard room.

Not so in our state prison, the convicts may get out of their night rooms, into the open yard; thence unseen in the dark, over the yard wall, into the street. The construction is, therefore, such, that the night watch may sleep at his post, and the convicts escape with impunity.

3d. Of Escapes.

To shew, that this is not a representation, unsupported by facts, we have obtained information from the records of the prison, concerning the *escapes* which have actually been effected since the prison was built. This list is now before us, it contains the names of ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHT convicts, who have made their escape. This is more than one twelfth part, of all who have been committed to the prison; a proof of the insecurity of the prison, so far as our knowledge extends, in the history of prisons, without a parallel.

Of the whole number who thus escaped, *ten* escaped, *one* at a time, *sixteen*, *two* at a time, *twenty-one*, *three* at a time, *twenty-four*, *four* at a time, *five* at one time, *fourteen*, *seven* at a time, and *eigh-*

teen, nine at a time. Total ONE HUNDRED and EIGHT. Males *one hundred and three,* females *five.* One escaped by making a hole in the door, one by a false key, two, who were at work on the new cells, three by forcing the hall door, four, through the yard gate, four, in a manner not specified, five, through the grates without sawing, five, by sawing the grates, twenty-nine, by scaling the wall, and forty-nine through the roof, walls and doors of the main building. Total ONE HUNDRED and EIGHT. Twenty-eight were retaken the same day, twenty-five after more than one day, and in less than one year, six were gone, time not specified, two were gone one year, one two years, one three years, and fifty-five were never retaken. Total ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHT. In these troubles one keeper was stabbed, three prisoners broke into a guard room, and got two guns with which they escaped, two prisoners were shot, but not killed, and one was shot dead.

The official document, from the prison records, from which these results are taken, is herewith submitted, marked A.

The amount paid in apprehending the above prisoners, was seven hundred and twenty-eight dollars and three cents.

4th. OF PUNISHMENT.

Notwithstanding the number of escapes from this prison, there does not appear to be any want of sufficiently severe punishments for misdemeanor.

Solitary confinement, on a scanty allowance of bread with cold water, is much used. The period of time not unfrequently extends to twenty and thirty days, and this too in the winter season in cells warmed by no fire. The suffering in these circumstances is intense; the convicts loose their flesh and strength and frequently their health; they are sometimes so far broken down, as to be unable to work, when they are discharged into the yard, and to require nearly as much time in the hospital, to recruit them, as they have had in the cells, to break them down.

The committee saw a man in the hospital, last week, just taken from the cells, where he had been punished for misdemeanor about twenty days. He was prostrate upon the bed, emaciated and unable to work, and complained of much pain. The physician called the attention of the committee to his pulse, which he remarked was very feeble. The keeper thought it would be some time before he would be able to work.

Besides punishments, in this mode, the records shew, that chains are much used; sometimes with a fifty-six attached to them, and sometimes for the purpose of chaining the prisoner to the place where he is at work. A number of the prisoners, at the present time, have chains upon them, and the committee saw one, twelve or fourteen years of age, who had on, an iron neck yoke, with arms extending 18 or 20 inches each way from his head, which was said to be, not for punishment, but to prevent his getting through the grates.

The following list is furnished by the clerk of the prison, who has been there twenty years. It shews the number of prisoners, that is

supposed to have died, in consequence of being severely punished, in the cells, for disobedience: William Thomas, Thomas Stewart, John O. Brien, William Bower, John Brown, Tunis Cole, Aaron Strattain, Thomas Somes, Pomp Cisco, and Peter Marks—10.

The documents from which this statement is taken, is herewith submitted marked B.

If the prison were so constructed, as to separate the men at night and keep them perfectly still, and thus break up all such combinations, as that of the *staunch gang*; and if the shops were so constructed as to admit of a constant inspection, so as to keep the prisoners in their places, at their work in silence, there would be comparatively little need of severe punishments, because rebellion and villainy would be prevented in the very beginning.

5th. OF DEATHS.

The whole number of DEATHS, in the prison, including the ten above mentioned, is *forty-nine*.

The whole number of prisoners committed, is one thousand two hundred and six. The average number of prisoners, taking the whole period of time, is supposed to be fifty; which gives a bill of mortality of about three per cent. which is three per cent less, than that of the Walnut street prison, in Philadelphia, and about two per cent. more, than that of the prisons at Auburn and Wethersfield.

The document *herewith* submitted, from which the above is taken is marked C.

6th. OF RECOMMITMENTS.

The RECOMMITMENTS, are out of ninety, the whole number, *seven* a second time; *two* a third time, and *two* a fourth time. CASES OF REFORMATION, we have heard of few, or none. At Auburn, out of six hundred, the whole number, the recommitments are, *seventeen* a second time, and from latest information, *none* a third. CASES OF REFORMATION, at Auburn, out of two hundred and six discharged convicts, ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY-SIX well authenticated.

7th. OF EXPENSES.

Some particulars in regard to the expenses and earnings of the New-Jersey State Prison, as furnished from the treasury department, are as follows:

The expenses exceeded the earnings, in four years, from 1800, to 1803, inclusive,	$21,776 29
In nine years, between 1810 and 1822,	58,651 33
In eight years from 1822, to 1829, inclusive	46,125 44
Total loss, including the loss in the periods specified above	164,963 81
Average loss to the state, annually, from September 1798 to September 1829, thirty-one years	5,304 05

The official document from which these results are taken is herewith submitted, marked D.

How can these things be; they are not satisfactorily explained. According to the return to the committee from the prison, the food of the prisoners per day, costs 4 *cents* 8 *mills.*

The clothing	1	5
Incidental expenses	2	9
Total amount excluding pay of officers	9	2
Pay of officers for each man daily	9	4
Total expense of each convict daily	18	6

Of the whole number of convicts, sixteen are employed in shoe making, each of whom, as an easy days work, is said to make one pair of coarse shoes per day. The price paid by contractors for making such shoes, is for each pair, *thirty-three cents*, the state to find shoe thread, &c.

When any part of the shoemakers are employed for the state, the shoes which they make are charged to the state, at one dollar and twenty-five cents a pair, for common shoes, and other work at a similar rate. Why then do not the shoemakers earn from twenty-five to thirty cents per day; and not as they are returned only eighteen cents and nine mills. If the returns are properly made, it must be because they are not furnished with work, and kept at it. When the committee visitsd the prison several shoe makers were sitting in idleness; because the contractors had not furnished them with work. One of the inspectors testified before the committee, as follows: "no longer ago than yesterday, I went to the prison, and the keeper of the shoe shop was not in his place. I found only two of the men at work; as soon as I stept in, the convicts said "*whist,*" and went to their places like a parcel of rabbits. I went round the prison, and when I came back, the keeper was in his place, and I gave him a piece of my mind." This business of the *shoe shop*, is the most important branch of business, *except one*, in the prison; that is the *weaving business.*

In the weaver's shop, thirty-nine hands are employed. This is a branch of business, in which most of the hands in the Baltimore penitentiary are employed, which has cleared for the state, over and above every expense, in the last eight years, upwards of *seventy thousand dollars.*

In the weavers shop, in the New-Jersey state prison, thirty-nine hands are employed and twenty-six looms. The cheapest work done on these looms, is done for two and a half cents per yard, which is about half a cent less per yard, than is paid for the same kind of work, done for the same persons, in town. The task in winter is ten yards per day; but the average quantity of work done is supposed by the keeper, not to exceed nine yards in winter. Allowing it to be nine yards, this would give the earnings twenty-two and a half cents per day, at the lowest prices, in the shortest days. In the summer season, the task is fourteen yards per day. Suppose them in summer to fall short of their task, one yard per day, as in winter, and weave

but thirteen yards; they would earn thirty-two and a half cents per day in summer. This is supposing the lowest prices for all the looms. But many of the looms weave cloth for three cents, and three and a half cents per yard, and the country looms for ten cents a yard. In such cases the business is much more advantageous, to the state, than in the cases above mentioned. But with the most favorable supposition to the weaving department, and the most unfavorable to the state, it appears, that the men, in the weave shops can earn, in winter, each twenty-two and a half cents a day, and in summer thirty-two and a half cents per day; or an average for the whole year of twenty-seven and a half cents per day. The ordinary days work, in town, for hired hands, is twenty yards, and the lowest price three cents per yard, by which a weaver in town, at the most moderate estimate, in weaving the same goods, can earn sixty cents per day. But in the prison, according to the official returns to the committee, the weavers earn, but eighteen cents per day; or if the spoolers are included, they earn but twelve cents and a fraction. Thus in this most extensive branch of business, if the returns are correctly made, the men do not pay their part of the expenses by six cents and eight mills per day each. They earn twelve cents, and they cost eighteen cents and eight mills. Here, too, the explanation is the same, as in the shoe shop. The contractors do not supply work, or the overseer does not keep them at it. The principal keeper says, "that many hundred days are lost in consequence of the contractors not supplying work;" and one of the inspectors testified, "that he had been into the shop and found the overseer asleep at his post." The same witness says, "the prisoners leave their shops when they choose, and things are pretty much out of sorts at the prison."

Besides weavers and shoe makers, it appears from the official returns, that TWO MEN were employed as coopers, and this department produced for the state, from the labor of these men, in the course of the year, *fifteen dollars and seventy-three cents.* FOUR were employed in sawing stone, and this department produced, for the labor of these *four men*, in the course of the year, twenty-nine dollars and thirty-two cents; THREE were employed as tailors, and FIVE in spinning; but the proceeds of their labor cannot be ascertained from the returns; TWENTY-NINE promiscuous hands, including all the above except the weavers and shoe makers, having their food and clothes found them, earned on an average, according to the official returns, *five cents* per day each. From the same returns, it appears that the whole number earned on an average *ten cents and four mills per day*, and cost *eighteen cents and eight mills.*

The committee would not express an opinion, whether these very unfavorable results, provided the returns are correctly made, are to be attributed, to which of the three following causes, in the greatest degree; to the construction of the prison, which admits of such combination in villainy, during the night, and such concealment in idleness, during the day: to the neglect of the overseers: or to the imperfection of the contracts, which do not make the contractors liable if the men in their employ are not supplied with work. All three, in the opinion of the committee, are evils demanding a speedy remedy.

That they are not necessary evils, subjecting the state to such heavy expenses, for the support of the prison, is evident from a comparison between the State Prison in New-Jersey, and the new State Prison in Connecticut, in regard to their expenses and earnings during the last year.

The New-Jersey prison had *ninety* prisoners: the Connecticut *one hundred and thirty-four.*

The expenses of the New-Jersey prison were,	$6,199.00
The expenses of the Connecticut prison were,	5,876.13
The expenses of the New-Jersey prison for the support of ninety prisoners, exceed the expenses of the Connecticut prison for the support of one hundred and thirty four prisoners,	322.87
The earnings of the New-Jersey prison were,	3,427,98
The earnings of the Connecticut prison were,	9,105.54
The earnings of the Connecticut prison exceed the earnings of the New-Jersey prison,	5,677.56
And the *expenses* of the Connecticut prison are less than the expenses of the N. Jersey prison,	322.87

This is the view which the committee have taken of the expenses and earnings of the prison.

The document from which the above results are taken, is herewith submitted, marked E.

Besides, among the official documents returned to the committee, it is stated, that one hundred and thirty-three dollars and twenty-one cents, are due from the state to the convicts for *overstint.* This, however, makes no part of the trial balance sheet, as it ought, if it is due. The under keepers, say it is due, the principal keeper, says it is not. From one sheet of the official returns, it would appear to be due. From the other, on which the other debts of the institution are stated, and the trial balance sheet, it appears not to be due.

One of the inspectors testifies, "that the accounts do not shew exactly the amount made or lost. He understood from the clerk, that there were out standing bills not handed in. He coincides with the other witnesses, that the inventory was taken generally by the keeper, and principally by copying the old inventory, so that the state could not know from year to year what is lost." Once in several years the inventory would be taken right. By this mode of taking the inventory, it will be perceived, there would be a heavy loss all at once, while the state would appear from year to year, not to be loosing more than *five thousand dollars annually.*

Of the food, fuel, number of officers, location, and remedy for existing evils.

The principal articles of *food*, with the quantities and prices, during the last year, were

273 cwt. 2 qrs. 17 lbs. of rye flour, from $1 62½ to 2 50 per cwt.		$449 51
40 cwt. corn meal from $1 to 1 12½ per cwt.		43 12
Other flour and meal bought by the bushel and barrel		101 37
Total cost of bread stuff		$594 00
6129 lbs. of beef from 3 to 3½ cts. per lb.	$197 16	
4352 do. pork from 4½ to 5 cents	206 61	
1969 do. hogs heads from 2½ to 3 cents	48 10	
7500 herring at $1 per thousand	7 50	
1 beef's head	25	
Total cost of meat	$459 62	
1232 gallons of molasses from 28 to 40 cents per gallon		428 16¼
178 bushels of potatoes from 23 to 33 cents per bushel		53 12½
Total		$481 29

RECAPITULATION.

Bread stuffs	44,699 lbs.	cost	$594 01½
Meats	12,450 "	"	451 87½
Molasses	39,424 gills	"	428 16¼
Potatoes	13,392 pints	"	53 12½
			$1527 18
Other and smaller articles of food			66 01½
Total expense of food			$1593 19½

The proportion of each article, which this would give to each man daily, estimating the number of men at ninety, is

1 lb. 4 oz. 3-10 of bread stuffs.
6 " 2-10 of meat.
1 gill 2-10 of molasses.
1 gill 6-10 of potatoes.

It will be observed, that the molasses costs almost as much as the meat, and eight times as much as the vegetables. The committee are satisfied, that this is out of all just proportion. That the molasses should be diminished from one gill and 2-10 to ½ a gill, which would save on the molasses two hundred and thirty nine dollars 76 cents, annually. That the sum thus saved on the molasses, be expended for beef, so far as to make the ration of beef one half more than it now is. The allowance of beef the last year has been only three ounces to each man per day, the cost of which was one hundred and ninety-seven dollars, 16 cents. The change we recommend is, that out of the two hundred and twenty-nine dollars 70 cents, saved on molasses, one hundred and ninety-seven dollars 16 cents, be expended to purchase beef, which will give *six* ounces of beef instead

of *three* ounces. This diminution of molasses, and increase of beef, will enable the men to work with more strength, and we shall still have forty-two dollars 60 cents, saved on the molasses.

We recommend further, that the indian meal be diminished from 6 ounces and 6.10 per day to 4 ounces. The men, many of them, complain that they have too much mush and molasses. This will save forty-four dollars annually, on the mush. That the money thus saved shall be expended for potatoes, which will increase the quantity of potatoes from one gill and 6.10 to three gills.

We recommend also, that the rye flour be diminished from 14 ounces and 9.10 to 12 ounces, which will save on this article one hundred and ten dollars; that thirty-eight dollars and forty cents of the sum thus saved be expended for potatoes, which will increase the allowance of potatoes to one pint, and that the remaining seventy-one dollars 60 cents saved on the rye flour, together with the forty two dollars 60 cents saved on the molasses, be expended for beef, which will increase the allowance of beef to eight ounces per day, by increasing the expenses of the state on the provisions nineteen dollars 24 cents, annually.

Any two men in the weave shop, on the custom work, in consideration of this change and improvement, in the ration, may easily make up this deficiency, by the additional work performed. The ration when changed will stand thus per day, $\frac{3}{4}$ lb. rye flour, and $\frac{1}{4}$ lb. corn meal, $\frac{1}{2}$ lb. beef, and 3 ounces of pork, 1 pint of potatoes, and $\frac{1}{2}$ a gill of molasses, and the smaller items, salt, &c. amounting to $\$06\ 01\frac{1}{2}$ unaltered.

This ration would nearly resemble the ration in those prisons where the men more than support themselves.

The *fuel* required in the prison, as it is now constructed, amounted last year to *one hundred and one cords and a half* of wood, twelve and a half tons of stone coal, and two hundred and ninety-four bushels of charcoal, at an expense of five hundred and twenty-three dollars 93 cents. Eight stoves are used to warm forty night rooms, while in a properly constructed prison, two stoves would warm one hundred and fifty. Twenty-two fires are used to warm the whole establishment, and as the prison is constructed, the committee do not see how any of these fires can be dispensed with. While in a well constructed prison, the committee are convinced from the returns of the new prison in Connecticut, that the number of fires required is so much less as to diminish the expense in the article of fuel more than three hundred dollars annually.

The *number of officers* required in this prison to promote a wholesome discipline, must be according to the testimony which the committee has received, seven, where there are now but three; that is an increase of four, at four hundred dollars per annum each. This would increase the expenses sixteen hundred dollars annually, while the present number of officers in a well constructed prison would secure a better discipline, than the number thus increased, in the old prison. The difference of expense then, in the old prison, and in a new and well constructed prison, as to the number of officers and the fuel, would be one thousand nine hundred dollars annually, or

the interest of thirty-one thousand six hundred and fifty-six dollars, a sum sufficient to build a new prison.

The *location* is unfavorable for business. No man would think of selecting that as a good place for the transaction of a large business. If Trenton is the town for the prison, the present site is not the place for it. It is without natural advantages. It was put where it is, because a man gave the land to build it on. It is estimated that the least difference between the expense of transacting the business of the prison where it is, and in town, would be three hundred dollars annually. The prison then, with its present location and construction, has physical disadvantages, viz: on the location, annually $300; on fuel $300; and on the number of officers $1600, which would make a difference of two thousand two hundred dollars annually between the old prison and a new one, which is the interest of thirty-five thousand dollars, a sum more than sufficient to build a new prison.

These considerations are entirely independent of the greater security, industry and more productive labor, which can be secured in a new prison; by breaking up the traffic, combinations in villainy, attempts to escape, riots, fighting, gambling, making cards and counterfeit coin. The committee see no reason why these evils cannot be removed in New-Jersey as well as in Connecticut, nor why the state prison in New-Jersey like that in Connecticut, should not, instead of being an expense to the state of five thousand dollars annually, be a source of income of three thousand dollars annually.

The directors of the new prison in Connecticut say in their last report to the legislature, "We found a system in operation at the old prison, which had for ten years previous to its abandonment, occasioned to the state an expense of $84,634.05 over and above its earnings, which sum had been drawn from the treasury, being an average deficit of more than $8.400 per annum. We found the moral results of the system to be more unfortunate, than the pecuniary, and that all its tendencies were to debase and corrupt the convict. The new prison for the year ending on the first of April last, after defraying every expense for its management and support has earned to the state $3,229.41; making a difference to the state between the old and new prison of $11,629.41 annually; an annuity more than sufficient, in three years, to cover the expense of building the new prison.

"The results of the experiment," say the directors, "are now before the public. We can truly say, they have exceeded our highest anticipations, both as it respects their moral and pecuniary character."

Your committee have yet to learn why such results cannot be realized in New-Jersey, as well as in Connecticut.

Thus the committee, on the state prison, has endeavoured to submit the facts, in the case now before them, in a full and impartial manner. These have produced, in the minds of the committee, an unanimous opinion, that the *construction* of the prison is *altogether wrong*, and does not admit of being *essentially corrected* in the old es-

tablishment. The *discipline in consequence, in great part, of the construction*, may be called *disorder* rather than discipline. The *escapes* have been, so far as our knowledge extends, without a parallel, *principally in consequence* of the *imperfection of the buildings.* The *punishments*, from the same disadvantages in construction, have been very severe, to prevent riots, insurrections, and escapes. The committee *greatly lament* the facts in evidence on this part of the subject. The *deaths* are more numerous, than they would be in a prison well constructed and well ventilated. The *re-commitments* are numerous in proportion to the number of convicts, and the *cases of reformation, few or none* ; because the men are *associated together day and night for purposes of mutual corruption*, and this *cannot be prevented* in these buildings.

The expense of supporting the establishment is *very heavy*, and this too, in great part, *because the men cannot be kept at their business.*

The difficulties among the officers are greatly to be lamented. If the construction of the prison is such, that the prisoners provoke the under officers, because they do not stay in their places, and mind their business, and the under officers provoke the principal keeper because *they* do not stay in *their* places and mind *their* business; *this is no sufficient excuse for passion, profane swearing, and wrangling among the officers; these things should have no place in this public institution, which has written over its door* "THE NEW-JERSEY PENITENTIARY."

We have recommended an alteration in the food of the prisoners, for the purpose of giving them more health and strength to labour, without any considerable additional *expense* for food to the state; and we think, we have shewn that there is a difference, necessarily, of *more than two thousand dollars a year*, in the expense of supporting the old prison, and a new one, in consequence of the quantity of fuel, and the number of officers required in the old prison, and the inconvenience of its location. In this connection, we think, we have shewn, also, from the example of the state of Connecticut, *how the state of New-Jersey can save*, in a few years, *by building a new prison, a sum more than sufficient to defray all the expenses of its construction.*

The Committee, therefore, recommend, with entire unanimity, the building of a new prison, on the general plan of those at Auburn, in New-York, and at Wethersfield, in Connecticut.

The Committee beg leave to state to the legislature, that the Prison Discipline Society at Boston, has appropriated and expended in our state prison for the purpose of moral and religious instruction, the sum of two hundred and seventy-one dollars, in different sums and at different periods, which amount they recommend should be refunded to the society.

In concluding the report, the committee consider themselves bound to acknowledge, publicly, the great benefit and advantage which they have received from the Rev. Louis Dwight, the secretary of the prison discipline society in Boston.

His intimate acquaintance with every thing touching the subject

of prison discipline, and the information which the committee has derived from him, have greatly facilitated the researches and examinations of the committee, and highly merit the thanks of the legislature.

A. HOWELL, AMZI DODD, } *Committee of Council.*

CHARLES HILLARD, LITTLETON KIRKPATRICK, FERDINAND S. SCHENCK, ISAAC HINCHMAN, } *Committee of Assembly.*

DOCUMENT (B.)

Shewing the number of prisoners that is supposed to have died, in consequence of being severely punished in the cells for disobedience, &c.

William Thomas,	died	17 December, 1809.
Thomas Stewart	"	23 July, 1811.
John O. Brian	"	6 Sept. 1823.
William Bower	"	25 April, 1816.
John Brown	"	10 Sept. 1821.
Tunis Cole	"	22 August, 1822.
Aaron Stattain	"	20 Nov. 1827.
Thomas Somes	"	29 Nov. 1827.
Pomp Cisco	"	29 Sept, 1828.
Peter Marks	"	29 Feb. 1820.

DOCUMENT (D.)

New-Jersey Treasury Department,

TRENTON, Jan. 30th, 1830.

To His Excellency Peter D. Vroom, Esq.:

SIR, in compliance with the request contained in your note of this morning, I herewith annex a statement, shewing the general, as well as the annual operation of the New-Jersey state prison, on this department, from 1797, the time the first appropriation was made for its erection, up to 1829, inclusive. The statement includes all expenses incurred in transportation of prisoners, costs of prosecution, erection of prison, officers salaries, &c. &c. by which it appears that the annual average loss is about five thousand dollars; the whole loss being $164,963.01. It will also appear by the statement, that in 1809, 1810, 1812, and 1813, there were balances in favour of the prison. These results did not arise from the operation of the prison in any of those years. It grew out of the sales of articles manufactured in former years. From the best information, that I have been

able to obtain, I think myself safe in saying, that the prison has not supported itself in any one year since its erection.

I am with great respect, your obedient humble servant,

CHARLES PARKER.

STATEMENT AS FOLLOWS:

1797	Paid prison agent		$14,327 18
1798	do. do.		13,545 92
1799	do. do.		13,285 45
1800	do. keeper	$5,579 03	
1801	do. do.	5,079 27	
1802	do. do.	3,255 13	
1803	do. do.	7,862 86	
			21,776 29
1804	do. do.	3,179 38	
1805	do. do.	2,856 95	
			6,036 33
			$68,968 17
1806	do. do.	$2,607 29	
1807	do. do.	1,884 65	
1808	do. do.	2,486 73	
			6,978 67
			$75,946 84

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1809	by received from keeper	5,146 21	
1810	" do. do.	8,910 50	
1812	" do. do.	1,264 84	
1813	" do. do.	738 25	
			16,059 80
	Balance against the prison		$59,887 04

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1811	to paid keeper	$7,443 34	
1814	" do. do.	4,135 50	
1815	" do. do.	3,980 00	
1816	" do. do.	6,354 55	
1817	" do. do.	8,770 75	
1818	" do. do.	9,859 24	
1819	" do. do.	6,065 61	
1820	" do. do.	1,872 50	
1821	" do. do.	10,169 84	
			58,651 33
1822	" do. do.	5,805 00	
	Transportation, &c.	1,678 49	
			7,483 49
1823	to paid keeper	3,725 00	
	Transportation &c.	2,740 27	
			6,465 27

1824 to	paid keeper	6,331 00	
	Transportation, &c.	2,160 31	
			8,491 31
1825 "	paid keeper.	3,350 00	
	Transportation	1,444 43	
			4,794 43
1826 "	paid keeper	2,025 00	
	Transportation, &c.	1,654 89	
			3,679 89
1827 "	paid keeper	2,987 50	
	Transportation	1,790 24	
			4,777 74
1828 "	paid keeper	3,029 37	
	Transportation, &c.	2,818 94	
			5,848 31
1829 "	paid keeper	3,125 48	
	Transportation, &c.	1,759 52	
			4,885 00
	Total		$164,963 81

Document (E)

New-Jersey Prison—90 Prisoners, 1829.

	Expenses.		Earnings.
Provisions	$1593.19¾	Nail Factory	$10.07½
Clothing	507.17	Cooper Shop	15.73¾
Incidentals	345.12½	Plaster	355.35
Furniture	18.15½	Sundry Account	126.88
Repairs	65.94	Shoe-shop or Cordwainers	1106.93½
Fuel	513.93	Weaving Account	1708.91
Profit & loss act.	38.00	Stone sawing Account	29.32
		Interest Account	75.67½
	$3081.50¾		$3427.98
Pay of officers	3117.50		3081.50
	$6499.00¾		$346.48

Connecticut Prison—134 Prisoners, 1829.

	Expenses.		Earnings.
Provision	1863.03	Smith's Shop	474.39
Clothing & Bedding	495.20	Cooper's Shop	1258.88
Fuel & Incidental expenses including the salary of the officers	3378.78	Shoe Shop	3540.62
		Nail Shop	1771.64
		Carpenter's Shop	1363.72
		Tailor's Shop	15.84
Hospital	139.12	Labour of Lumpers	49.35
			614.58
	$5876.13		

Earnings of Connecticut	$9,105.54
Do. N. Jersey	3,427 98
Difference	5,677.56

Expenses of N. Jersey, more than Connecticut	$ 322.86½
Earnings of do. less than do.	5,677.56

Which report was accepted; and the documents, together with a resolution submitted by the committee, recommending the construction of a new prison,

Was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Jackson, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That five hundred copies of the report of the joint committee on the affairs of the state prison, with such of the documents as the committee may think proper, be printed;

Which resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Hornblower, offered the following resol ution:

Resolved, That the committee of this House on the state prison accounts, be instructed to bring in a bill to refund to the Boston Prison Discipline Society, the moneys expended by that society, for the benefit of the state prison of this state; and also, to bring in a bill for the erection of a new state penitentiary;

Which resolution was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The resolution annexed to the report of the state prison committee, recommending the construction of a new state prison,

Was taken up, and after some discussion, the same was ordered to lie on the table.

The consideration of the bill to secure and defend the public revenue, arising from the oyster grounds of this state,

Was again resumed.

The fifth section, which provided that if any persons, to the number of five or more, should be found offending against the provisions of the act, at the same time, and should not submit peaceably to an arrest, it should be lawful to capture them by force, using fire arms, and to fire upon them from the shores, until the said offenders should be arrested, or should have escaped out of the waters of this state." being under consideration,

Mr. Jackson offered an amendment, making the section to allude to five or more persons, composed in whole, or in part, of foreigners or citizens of any other state;

To which amendment, Mr. Kirkpatrick offered an amendment to strike out the words "in whole or in part;"

And the yeas and nays being called on the adoption of the amendment to the amendment, it was lost as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Davis,	Messrs. Evans,
Earl,	Hancock,
Ellis.	Howell,

Messrs. Ireland,
Kirkpatrick,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Summers,
Swing,
Vail,
Van Winkle,
Wells,
West,
Wick—18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kline.
Little,
Monro,
Potts,
Schenck,
Townsend,
Ward,
Warren,
Wurts, Speaker—22.

When the amendment offered by Mr. Jackson, was agreed to.

The yeas and nays being again called, on a motion to strike out the fifth section,

The same was retained as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Cruser,
Davis,
Ellis,
Howell,
Ireland,
Kirkpatrick,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Swing,
Townsend,
Van Winkle.
Wells,
West,
Wick—15.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Earl,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kline,
Little,
Monro,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Vail,
Ward,
Warren,
Wurts, Speaker—25.

After which the bill was progressed in, and while the sixth section was under consideration, the

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, February 12, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled "An act to repeal the acts to authorize the draining of the low grounds in the town of Newark, and the supplement thereto," and request the concurrence of the House of Assembly;

Which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Jackson, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire, if any, and what alterations are necessary in the law relative to elections for Representatives in Congress, and electors of President and Vice-President, and that they have leave to report by bill or otherwise:

Agreed to, and Messrs. Jackson, Hornblower, and Potts, appointed.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, offered the following joint resolutions:

Resolved by the Council and General Assembly, That the Senators of this state, in the Congress of the United States, be instructed, and the Representatives of this state, in the Congress of the United States, be requested, to procure a survey to be made of the Raritan Bay and River, and of the Delaware River, for the purpose of removing the obstructions in the same.

2d. *Resolved*, That the governor of this state, forward a copy of the foregoing resolution, to the Senators and Representatives of this state;

Which were read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The bill to secure and defend the public revenue arising from oyster grounds in this state,

Was taken up, and gone through with by section;

When on motion, the fifth section was ordered to be re-considered, and the same amended without altering the subject,

And the yeas and nays being called on agreeing to it, it was retained as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Black,	Messrs.	Fithian,
	Chetwood,		Foster,
	Evans,		Hillard,
	Farlee,		Hinchman.

Messrs. Hopper,
Hornblower,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kline,
Little,
Monro,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Vail,
Vliet,
Ward,
Warren,
West,
Wurts, Speaker—25.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Howell,
Ireland,
Kirkpatrick,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Van Winkle,
Wells,
Wick—16.

After which, the bill having been gone through with by section, It was ordered to be engrossed by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithjan,
Foster,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kline,
Little,
Monro,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Vail,
Vliet,
Ward,
Warren,
Wurts, Speaker—24.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Hancock,
Howell,
Ireland,
Kirkpatrick,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Van Winkle,
Wells,
West,
Wick—18.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to prevent horse racing, except at certain times, and under certain regulations,"

Was taken up, and ordered to be re committed.

Mr. Mickle, with leave, presented a bill relative to the punishment of crimes;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The engrossed bill entitled " An act to pension Hugh Aggins, a revolutionary soldier,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Kirkpatrick,
Black,	Kline,
Cruser,	Little,
Davis,	Merkle,
Earl,	Mickle,
Ellis,	Potts,
Evans,	Summers,
Farlee,	Vail,
Hinchman,	Vliet,
Hopper,	Ward,
Hornblower,	Warren,
Howell,	West,
Hurley,	Wick,
Ireland,	Wurts, Speaker—29.
Jeffers,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Fithian,	Messrs. Schenck,
Foster,	Swing,
Hancock,	Townsend,
Jackson,	Van Winkle—9.
Monro,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled " An act to revive certain acts relative to the drowned lands, in the county of Sussex, and for other purposes,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Cruser,
Chetwood,	Earl,

Messrs. Fithian,	Messrs. Monro,
Foster,	Nevius,
Hancock,	Schenck,
Hinchman,	Summers,
Hornblower,	Swing,
Hurley,	Townsend,
Ireland,	Vliet,
Jeffers,	Van Winkle,
Kirkpatrick,	Ward,
Kline,	Warren,
Little,	Wick,
Mickle,	Wurts, Speaker—28.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Hopper,
Davis,	Howell,
Ellis,	Merkle,
Evans,	Potts,
Farlee,	Vail,
Hillard,	West—12.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled a supplement to the act entitled, "An act concerning landlords and tenants," passed 10th March, 1795,

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Monro,
Chetwood,	Nevius,
Davis,	Potts,
Earl,	Schenck,
Hornblower,	Vail,
Jackson,	Ward,
Little,	Warren,
Merkle,	Wurts, Speaker—16.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs Hinchman,
Cruser,	Hillard,
Ellis,	Hopper,
Evans,	Howell,
Farlee,	Hurley,
Fithian,	Ireland,
Foster,	Jeffers,
Hancock,	Kirkpatrick.

Messrs. Kline,
Mickle,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
West,
Wick—24.

The engrossed resolution, authorizing the appointment by the governor, of persons to revise the public statutes of this state,
Was read a third time and compared;
And on the question, of agreeing to the same,
It was decided in the negative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Chetwood,
Cruser,
Earl,
Ellis,
Hinchman,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Vail,
Ward,
Warren,
Wurts, Speaker—17.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Davis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hopper,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kline.
Merkle,
Monro,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
West,
Wick—23.

The bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail Road Company,
Was taken up, and read a second time.
A motion to postpone the further consideration of the bill, to Friday next,
Was lost as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,
Earl,
Farlee,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hurley,

Messrs. Ireland,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monroe.
Potts,
Vail,
Vliet.
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick—19.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Ellis,
Evans,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Nevius,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Wurts.—Speaker 23.

On a motion to strike out the first section of the bill, the vote stood as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,
Davis,
Ellis,
Farlee,
Foster,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Mickle,
Monro,
Potts,
Townsend,
Vail,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick—21.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Earl,
Evans,
Fithian,
Hancock,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Merkle,
Nevius,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Wurts, Speaker—21.

The House being equally divided, the motion to strike out was lost.

The yeas and nays being again called, on agreeing to the first section, the same was disagreed to, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Chetwood,	Messrs. Kline,
Cruser,	Little,
Earl,	Nevius,
Evans,	Schenck,
Fithian,	Summers,
Foster,	Swing,
Hancock,	Vliet,
Hornblower,	Van Winkle,
Howell,	Ward,
Kirkpatrick,	Wurts, Speaker—20.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Jeffers,
Black,	Merkle.
Davis,	Mickle,
Ellis,	Monro,
Farlee,	Potts,
Hillard,	Townsend,
Hinchman,	Vail,
Hopper,	Warren,
Hurley,	Wells,
Ireland,	West,
Jackson,	Wick—22.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, February 13, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the following bills, viz:

"An act to incorporate the Camden and Salem rail road and transportation company."

"An act concerning small notes for the payment of money,"

And "A supplement to the act entitled "An act to incorporate the Bridgewater Copper Mining company," passed the 8th December, 1825.

To which they request the assent of the House of Assembly;

Which bills were severally read and ordered second readings.

Mr. Nevius, presented a remonstrance from J. W. Scott and his associates, against the construction of a rail road from Camden, in the county of Gloucester, to Penns Neck, in Salem county.

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Messrs. Nevius, Cruser, and Kirkpatrick, severally presented petitions from New-Brunswick, in favour of a rail road from Jersey City to the Delaware river, in Salem county.

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ellis, from committee, to whom was recommitted the bill "to prevent horse racing, except at certain times and under certain regulations," reported the same, amended.

Read, and ordered a 2d reading.

Messrs. Mickle and Jeffers, severally presented petitions from Gloucester and Salem counties, in favour of a rail road from Camden to Penns Neck, in Salem county.

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The engrossed bill, entitled, "An act to secure and defend the public revenue arising from oyster lands let, and to be let, under the authority of this state,"

Was taken up, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

The bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Atlantic rail road company,

Was taken up, and ordered to be postponed until Wednesday next.

Ordered, That the vote of yesterday, on the engrossed joint resolution, providing for a revision of the public statutes, be reconsidered.

The supplement to the act relative to the Supreme and Circuit Courts;

And the supplement to the act concerning forcible entries and detainers;

Were severally read a 2d time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the Oldham Brewing company,

Was read a second time, and gone through with by sections, and was ordered to be engrossed by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Hornblower,
Black,	Ireland,
Chetwood,	Jackson,
Cruser,	Little,
Earl,	Mickle,
Ellis,	Monro,
Farlee,	Nevius,
Fithian,	Potts,
Hillard,	Schenck,
Hinchman,	Vail,
Hopper,	Van Winkle,

Messrs. Ward,
Warren,
Messrs. Wells,
Wurts, Speaker—26.

NAYS.

Messrs. Davis,
Foster,
Hancock,
Howell,
Merkle,
Messrs. Summers,
Swing,
Vliet,
Wick—9.

The bill to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson river rail road company,

Was taken up, read a second time, and while under consideration,

The House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Jeffers, presented a memorial from inhabitants of Salem, in favour of a rail road from Camden to Craven's Ferry;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Potts, presented a petition from Rosannah Raub, of Pennsylvania, for a law to enable her, as administratrix with will annexed of her husband's estate, to collect certain moneys in this state;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Potts, Hillard, and West.

Ordered, That leave be given to withdraw the resolution submitted by the committee on the state prison affairs, for the erection of a new penitentiary.

Mr. Hillard, with leave, presented a bill providing for the erection of a new state prison;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the following bills from the House of Assembly, without amendment, viz:

"A further supplement to the act entitled an act for the relief of creditors against absconding and absent debtors," passed the 8th March, 1798;

"An act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, low lands, and swamps, adjoining the Dead river, to clear the same within the limits therein mentioned;" And

"An act to incorporate the Belvidere Bank."

Also, that Council had passed the following bills, viz:

"An act to provide for the more equal and just representation of the several counties in this state, in the General Assembly;"

"An act to incorporate the Monmouth Steam-Boat company;" And

"A supplement to the act entitled "an act to reduce fees and

costs of suit, and for other purposes," passed 12th December, 1823;

To which bills they request the assent of the House of Assembly.

Which bills were severally read and ordered second readings.

Mr. Kline, from committee, reported a bill to divorce Mary Smith from her husband Peter T. Smith;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and printing of the same dispensed with.

The bill to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson river rail road company,

Was again taken up, and progressed in, and while under consideration, the

House adjourned to 10 o'clock on Monday morning next.

MONDAY, February 15, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Van Winkle, presented a remonstrance against the erection of a new county from parts of Bergen and Essex.

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Potts, presented a memorial from Elizabeth Stockton, wife of Lucius H. Stockton, for a law authorizing the appointment of a trustee of her real and personal estate, in place of Joseph Higbee, deceased;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Potts, Kirkpatrick, and Foster.

Mr. Ward, presented a remonstrance against the erection of a new county from parts of Bergen and Essex.

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Summers, from committee, reported a bill to incorporate the Mansfield Aqueduct company;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Potts, from committee, reported a supplement to the act relative to wills, administrations, and guardians;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The consideration of the bill to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson river rail road company,

Was resumed, and gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill for the relief of the New Barbadoes Toll Bridge company,

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to erect a new county from parts of Bergen and Essex,

Was taken up, and progressed in, and while under consideration, the

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Potts, from committee, reported a bill to vest the real and personal estate of Elizabeth Stockton, in a trustee;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Earl, from committee, reported a supplement to the law for the protection of clams and oysters;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to repeal an act, entitled, a further supplement to an act for the preservation of deer and other game, and to prevent trespassing with guns," passed 28th November, 1822,

Was read a third time and compared;

When the same was ordered to be postponed.

The engrossed bill entitled an act to incorporate the Oldham Brewing company,

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Nevius,
Chetwood,	Schenck,
Earl,	Summers,
Evans,	Vail,
Farlee,	Van Winkle,
Hopper,	Ward,
Hornblower,	Warren,
Jackson,	Wells,
Jeffers,	Wick,
Mickle,	Wurts, Speaker—20.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Kirkpatrick,
Cruser,	Kline,
Davis,	Merkle,
Ellis,	Monro,
Fithian,	Potts,
Foster,	Swing,
Hancock,	Townsend,
Howell,	Vliet,
Ireland,	West—18.

The engrossed bill entitled "a further supplement to the act concerning forcible entries and detainers,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Monro,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
Wurts, Speaker—27.

NAYS.

Messrs. Ellis,
Evans,
Foster,
Hancock,
Ireland,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
West,
Wick—11.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to secure and defend the public revenue, arising from oyster lots let, and to be let, under the authority of this state,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hornblower,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kline,
Merkle,
Monro,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Vail,
Ward,
Warren,
Wurts, Speaker—21.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Ireland,
Cruser,	Kirkpatrick,
Davis,	Mickle,
Earl,	Summers,
Ellis,	Swing,
Foster,	Townsend,
Hancock,	Vliet,
Hopper,	West,
Howell,	Wick—18.

The bill to erect a new county, from parts of Bergen and Essex, Was again taken up, and a motion to strike out the first section of the bill, was lost by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Nevius.
Chetwood,	Schenck,
Earl,	Swing,
Fithian,	Townsend,
Foster,	Van Winkle,
Hancock,	Ward,
Hornblower,	Warren,
Kline,	Wells—16.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Jeffers.
Cruser,	Kirkpatrick,
Davis,	Merkle,
Ellis,	Mickle,
Evans,	Monro,
Farlee,	Potts,
Hinchman,	Summers,
Hopper,	Vail,
Howell,	Vliet,
Hurley,	West,
Ireland,	Wick,
Jackson,	Wurts, Speaker—21.

On motion, to fill the blank in thefirst section, (fixing the number of representatives, said new county should send to the General Assembly) with three, and the yeas and nays being called, the motion was lost as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Evans,
Hornblower,
Merkle,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Wells—8.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Howell,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Mickle,
Monro,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Vliet,
Warren,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—33.

After which said bill having been gone through with by sections, the same was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to confirm the charter privileges of the Borough of Elizabeth,

Was read a second time, and while the fifth section was under consideration, said bill was on motion postponed.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock, A. M. to morrow morning.

TUESDAY, February 16, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Chetwood, presented memorials in favor of extending the jurisdiction of the Borough Courts of Elizabeth,

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Hornblower, presented a remonstrance against the repeal of the law authorizing the draining of the low grounds in Newark;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The vote of yesterday, on the engrossed bill, entitled "An act to secure and defend the public revenue, arising from oyster grounds let, and to be let, under the authority of this state,"

Was ordered to be reconsidered.

The engrossed bill entitled, "An act for the relief of the New-Barbadoes Toll Bridge Company,"

Was read a third time and compared,

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Kirkpatrick,
Black,	Kline,
Chetwood,	Little,
Cruser,	Merkle,
Ellis,	Mickle,
Evans,	Monro,
Farlee,	Nevius,
Fithian,	Potts,
Foster,	Schenck,
Hancock,	Summers,
Hillard,	Swing,
Hinchman,	Townsend,
Hopper,	Vliet,
Hornblower,	Van Winkle,
Howell,	Warren,
Hurley,	Wells,
Ireland,	West,
Jackson,	Wick,
Jeffers,	Wurts, Speaker—37.

NAYS.

Messrs. Davis,	Messrs. Ward—2.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act supplementary to the act entitled, "An act relative to the Supreme and Circuit Courts,"

Was read a third time, and compared,

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Foster,
Chetwood,	Hancock,
Earl,	Hinchman,
Evans,	Hopper,
Fithian,	Hornblower,

Messrs. Howell,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Summers,
Swing,
Vail,
Van Winkle,
Warren,
Wells,
Wurts, Speaker—27.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Cruser,
Davis,
Ellis,
Farlee,
Hillard,
Jackson,
Monro,
Potts,
Schenck,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Ward,
West,
Wick—15.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to council for concurrence.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate the Camden and Salem Rail Road and Transportation Company,"
Was read a second time,
And on agreeing to the first section,
The same was retained by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Earl,
Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Howell,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Mickle,
Monro,
Potts,
Summers,
Vail,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Wells,
West,
Wick—27.

NAYS.

Messrs. Fithian,
Foster.

Messrs. Hornblower,
Ireland,
Kline,
Merkle,
Nevius,
Schenck,
Swing,
Townsend,
Ward,
Warren,
Wurts, Speaker—13.

The twenty-third section being under consideration, an amendment was offered to strike out "or" and insert "and," so as to make the section read, *that no other rail road should commence and terminate within three miles of the commencement* and termination of said road;

And the yeas and nays being called, the amendment was agreed to as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Chetwood,
Cruser,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hornblower,
Ireland,
Kline.
Little,
Merkle,
Nevius,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Wells,
Wurts, Speaker—21.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,
Ellis,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Howell,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Mickle,
Monro,
Potts,
Vail,
Vliet,
Warren,
West,
Wick—18.

After which the bill was progressed in, and while under consideration,

The House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the following bills, viz.

"A supplement to an act, to enable the owners and possessors of the marsh and swamp lying on a small creek called Newport, between the townships of Stoe-Creek and Greenwich, in the county of Cumberland, to erect and maintain a bank, dam, and other water-works, across the said creek, in order to prevent the tide from overflowing the same."

"An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate of the minor children of William T. Bladen, deceased."

"An act to appoint a Commissioner to settle up the business of Gabriel Hoff, late sheriff of the county of Hunterdon, dec.

And "An act in revival of an act respecting forfeited estates."

And that Council requests the assent of the House of Assembly to the same;

Which bills were severally read, and ordered second readings.

The same message also informed the House, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to incorporate the Warren Mining Company," without amendment.

And also, the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act abolishing imprisonment for debt in certain cases," with sundry amendments; which amendments were read, and the same together with the bill ordered to be printed.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson river rail road company,

Was read a third time and compared;

When, on motion, the same was ordered to be postponed until the first Tuesday in November next.

The engrossed bill entitled, "An act to erect a new county, from parts of the counties of Bergen and Essex, to be called Paterson,

Was read a third time and compared, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate the Camden and Salem Rail Road and Transportation Company,"

Was again taken up, and on motion, the vote on the amendment to the twenty-third section,

Was ordered to be reconsidered, when the question again came up on the amendment offered to the twenty-third section, to strike out "or" and insert "and:"

The yeas and nays being called, the motion to insert "and," was lost as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Chetwood,	Messrs. Fithian,
Cruser,	Foster,
Evans,	Hornblower,

Messrs. Ireland,
Kline,
Little,
Nevius,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Wells,
Wurts, Speaker—18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Farlee,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Howell,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monro,
Potts,
Vail,
Vliet,
Warren,
West,
Wick—24.

When said bill, having been gone through with by sections, it was ordered a third reading.

The bill to establish an independent regiment of horse artillery,

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to establish and confirm the charter, rights, and privileges of the Borough of Elizabeth,

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill, a further supplement to an act for the preservation of deer and other game, and to prevent trespassing with guns, passed December 21, 1771,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to amend the act to prevent Horse Racing,

Was read a second time, and a motion to amend the first section, so as not to authorize a race course in the county of Bergen,

Was disagreed to as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hornblower,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Kline,
Little,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Swing,
Townsend,

Messrs. Van Winkle,
Ward,
Messrs. Warren—17.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Evans,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Howell,
Jackson,
Messrs. Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monro,
Summers,
Vliet,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—21.

After which, said bill having been gone through with by sections, the same was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Jackson, from committee, with leave, reported a bill relative to the election of representatives to the next Congress of the United States;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Chetwood, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to examine and report what business before the House, is necessary to be acted on at the present session of the Legislature;

Agreed to, and Messrs. Chetwood, Wells, and Ellis, appointed.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, February 17, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Hillard, presented a petition from the trustees of the congregational church of Chester, in the county of Morris, for an act of incorporation;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Hillard, Vail, and Foster.

Mr. Howell, presented petitions in favour of a rail road, from Jersey City, to the Delaware river, in Salem county.

Ordered, To lie on the table.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to erect parts of the counties of Bergen and Essex into a new county, to be called Paterson,"

Having been read and compared,

On the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Howell,
Chetwood,	Kirkpatrick,
Cruser,	Little,
Ellis,	Merkle,
Evans,	Mickle,
Farlee,	Monro,
Hillard,	Summers,
Hopper,	Vail,
Hornblower,	Vliet—18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Swing,
Earl,	Townsend,
Fithian,	Van Winkle,
Foster,	Ward,
Hancock,	Warren,
Ireland,	Wells,
Jackson,	West,
Kline,	Wick,
Schenck,	Wurts, Speaker—18.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate the Camden and Salem Rail Road and Transportation Company,"

Was taken up, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

The engrossed bill, entitled a further supplement to the act entitled "An act to establish and confirm the charter, rights, and privileges of the Borough of Elizabeth,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Howell,
Black,	Jackson,
Chetwood,	Jeffers,
Cruser,	Kirkpatrick,
Davis,	Kline,
Earl,	Little,
Ellis,	Merkle,
Evans,	Mickle,
Farlee,	Monro,
Fithian,	Summers,
Hancock,	Swing,
Hillard,	Vail,
Hinchman,	Van Winkle,
Hornblower,	Ward,

Messrs. Warren, Messrs. Wick,
Wells, Wurts, Speaker—33,
West,

NAYS.

Messrs. Foster. Messrs. Townsend,
Hopper, Vliet—5.
Schenck,

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The following bills from Council, viz.

"An act to incorporate the Paterson Centre Market;"

"An act to incorporate the Monmouth Steam-Boat Company."

"An act to incorporate the Medford Water Company;"

"An act to empower Isaac Smith, guardian of Aaron Griggs, to sell certain real estate of his ward;"

"An act to authorize Thomas J. Wharton, Esq. administrator of Bloomfield M'Ilvaine, Esq. deceased, to make and execute a deed of conveyance to Robert Moses,"

Were severally read a second time and ordered a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled, "A supplement to the act entitled an act to authorize the holding of special terms of the Courts of Common Pleas, in and for the counties therein named," passed Dec. 10th, 1825,

Was read a second time, and amended, and ordered third readings, as amended.

Ordered, That the vote of yesterday, postponing the bill to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson River Rail Road Company, to the first Tuesday in November next, be reconsidered.

The bill to repeal certain acts, relative to the bridge over great Mantua Creek, at a place called Crown Point,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The supplement to the act entitled an act for the instruction of indigent deaf and dumb persons, inhabitants of this state,

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail Road Company,

Was taken up, and while under consideration,

The House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Hinchman, from committee, reported a bill to erect gates and locks, in Great Mantua Creek, in Gloucester county;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Ordered, That the vote of this morning, on the engrossed bill, entitled "An act to erect parts of the counties of Bergen and Essex, into a new county, to be called Paterson," be reconsidered.

Ordered, That a further consideration of the same be postponed.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act establishing an Independent Regiment of Horse Artillery,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Black,	Messrs.	Kirkpatrick,
	Chetwood,		Merkle,
	Cruser,		Mickle,
	Earl,		Nevius,
	Ellis,		Summers,
	Hinchman,		Vail,
	Hopper,		Vliet,
	Howell,		Warren,
	Hurley,		Wells,
	Jackson,		West—21.
	Jeffers,		

NAYS.

Messrs.	Bennett;	Messrs.	Little,
	Davis,		Monro.
	Evans,		Potts,
	Farlee,		Schenck,
	Fithian,		Swing,
	Foster,		Townsend,
	Hancock,		Van Winkle,
	Hillard,		Ward,
	Hornblower,		Wick,
	Ireland,		Wurts, Speaker—21.
	Kline,		

The engrossed bill entitled, "a further supplement to an act for the preservation of deer and other game, and to prevent trespassing with guns, passed December 21, 1771,

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Messrs. Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Mickle,
Monro,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—40.

NAY.

Merkle.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate the Camden and Salem Rail Road and Transportation Company,

Was taken up on its third reading, and a motion to postpone said bill to Thursday the 25th instant, was made;

And the yeas and nays being called, the motion was lost as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Davis,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hornblower,
Messrs. Hurley,
Little,
Summers,
Swing—8.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Earl,
Messrs. Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Hancock,
Hillard,

Messrs. Hinchman,
Hopper,
Howell,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline.
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monro,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Townsend,
Vail,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—33.

After which, said bill having been read a third time;
And on the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the negative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Earl,
Ellis,
Farlee,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Howell,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monro,
Potts,
Vail,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick—20.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Evans,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hornblower,
Ireland,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Nevius,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Wurts, Speaker—21.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council, that the House have disagreed to said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to secure and defend the public revenue arising from oyster lots let and to be let, under the authority of this state,"

Having been read a third time and compared;
And on the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Jeffers,
Chetwood,	Kline,
Evans,	Little,
Farlee,	Monro,
Fithian,	Nevius,
Foster,	Potts,
Hancock,	Schenck,
Hinchman,	Vail,
Hornblower,	Ward,
Hurley,	Warren,
Jackson,	Wurts, Speaker—22.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Merkle,
Cruser,	Mickle,
Davis,	Summers,
Earl,	Swing,
Ellis,	Townsend,
Hancock,	Vliet,
Hopper,	Van Winkle,
Howell,	Wells,
Ireland,	West,
Kirkpatrick,	Wick—20.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The Engrossed bill entitled "An act to amend the act to prevent horse racing,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Jeffers,
Cruser,	Kirkpatrick,
Davis,	Merkle,
Ellis,	Mickle,
Earl,	Nevius,
Farlee,	Vail,
Hillard,	Wells,
Hinchman,	West,
Howell,	Wick—19.
Jackson,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Evans,
Chetwood,	Fithian,

Messrs. Foster,
Hancock,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Kline,
Little,
Monro,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wurts, Speaker—23.

The bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail Road Company,

Was taken up, and an amendment, to stand as the first section, being offered, the same was lost by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Chetwood,
Evans,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Hurley,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Nevius,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—20.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Cruser,
Davis,
Ellis,
Farlee,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monro,
Potts,
Schenck,
Vail,
Warren,
Wells,
West—20.

A motion was then made to dismiss the bill, which was lost by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Farlee,

Messrs. Hillard,	Messrs. Monro,
Hinchman,	Potts,
Ireland,	Schenck,
Jackson,	Vail,
Jeffers,	Warren,
Merkle,	Wells,
Mickle,	West—20.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chetwood,	Messrs. Kline,
Cruser,	Little,
Evans,	Nevius.
Fithian,	Summers,
Foster,	Swing,
Hancock,	Townsend,
Hopper,	Vliet,
Hornblower,	Van Winkle,
Howell,	Ward,
Hurley,	Wick
Kirkpatrick,	Wurts, Speaker—22.

After which, another amendment, to stand as the first section was offered; and while the same was under discussion,

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock, to morrow morning.

THURSDAY, February 18, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

The speaker, presented a communication from his excellency the Governor, transmitting certain resolutions of the Legislature of the state of Pennsylvania, relative to the tariff of 1828;

Read, and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Jeffers, presented a petition from inhabitants of Salem county, in favour of the incorporation of the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail Road Company;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Kline, presented depositions relative to the application of Mary Smith, for a divorce from her husband, Peter T. Smith.

Ordered, To lie on the table.

Mr. Jeffers, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House is ready to go into joint-meeting for the appointment of civil and military officers in this state, and request Council to appoint the time and place of such joint-meeting.

Ordered, To lie on the table.

Mr. Hopper presented a petition from inhabitants of Bergen, for an alteration in the law relative to chosen freeholders;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Hopper, Townsend, and Davis.

Mr. Jackson, from committee, to whom was referred the subject of alterations in the Assembly Room,

Made the following report:

The committee, in whom was referred the subject of the alteration in the Assembly Room, beg leave to report, that they have agreed upon an alteration, so as to make the bar of the house separate from spectators, and an elevation of 5, 10, and 15 inches of the rows of seats next to the bar of the House. The entrance into the Assembly Room to be upon the plan of the Supreme Court Room, leaving the glass doors to be opened when the Honorable Council come into the Assembly Room, in joint-meeting. The cost of the work, excepting painting, will be $75, which they recommend to be committed to the inspection and superintendance of Charles Parker, esq. treasurer of the state, and that he be directed to pay for said work and fixtures necessary, out of the treasury of the state; and make report of the same, to the next sitting of the Legislature;

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Jeffers, from Committee, reported a bill relative to a map of New-Jersey;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and the printing of the same dispensed with.

Mr. Hillard, from committee, reported a bill to alter the corporate name of the congregational church at Chester, in the county of Morris;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and printing dispensed with.

The joint resolution, relative to improving the navigation, and removing obstructions in certain rivers and bays in this state,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Jeffers, with leave, presented a supplement to an act concerning taxes;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The engrossed joint resolution, relative to a revision of the public statutes of this state,

Was read a third time and agreed to.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill, a supplement to the act entitled "An act for the instruction of indigent deaf and dumb persons, inhabitants of this state,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Black,

Messrs. Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Messrs. Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monro,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Wells,
West,
Wurts, Speaker—40.

NAY.

Wick.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled, "An act to repeal an act, entitled an act to enable the chosen freeholders of the county of Gloucester, to build a bridge over Mantua Creek, at a place called Crown Point,"

Was read a third time, and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Messrs. Jackson,
Kirkpatrick,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monro,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wurts, Speaker—29.

NAYS.

Messrs. Hancock,	Messrs. Potts,
Hornblower,	Schenck,
Jeffers,	Ward,
Little,	Wick—9.
Nevius,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The bill from Council, entitled "a supplement to the act entitled an act to authorize the holding of Special Terms of the Courts of Common Pleas, in and for the counties therein named," passed December 10, 1825,

Was read a third time as amended;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Chetwood,	Messrs. Little,
Ellis,	Merkle,
Evans,	Mickle,
Farlee,	Potts,
Fithian,	Swing,
Hinchman,	Townsend,
Hurley,	Vail,
Ireland,	Warren,
Jeffers,	Wick,
Kirkpatrick,	Wurts, Speaker—20.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Jackson,
Black,	Kline,
Cruser,	Monro,
Davis,	Schenck,
Foster,	Vliet,
Hancock,	Van Winkle,
Hillard,	Ward,
Hopper,	West—17.
Hornblower,	

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council, that the House have disagreed to said bill.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to authorize Thomas J. Wharton, esq. administrator of Bloomfield M'Ilvaine, esquire, dec'd. to make and execute a deed of conveyance to Robert Moses,"

Was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to authorize Isaac Smith, guardian of Aaron Griggs, to sell certain real estate of his ward,"

Was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Ireland,
Black,	Kirkpatrick,
Chetwood,	Kline,
Cruser,	Little,
Davis,	Merkle,
Earl,	Monro.
Ellis,	Potts,
Evans,	Schenck,
Farlee,	Summers,
Fithian,	Swing,
Foster,	Townsend,
Hancock,	Vail,
Hinchman,	Vliet,
Hopper,	Ward,
Hornblower,	West,
Howell,	Wick,
Hurley,	Wurts, Speaker—34.

NAY.

Hillard.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council, that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to incorporate the Medford Water Company,"

Was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Davis,
Black,	Earl,
Chetwood,	Ellis,
Cruser,	Evans,

Messrs. Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monro,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Vliet,
Ward,
Warren,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—37.

NAY.

Hancock.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled, "An act to incorporate the Monmouth Steam Boat Company,"

Was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Earl,
Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Howell,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Monro,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Swing,
Vail,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—29.

NAYS.

Messrs. Cruser,	Messrs. Ireland,
Davis,	Summers,
Fithian,	Townsend,
Foster,	Vliet,
Hancock,	Ward—11.
Hornblower,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council that the House have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate the Paterson Centre Market,"

Was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Kline,
Chetwood,	Little,
Cruser,	Merkle,
Earl,	Mickle,
Ellis,	Nevius,
Evans,	Potts,
Farlee,	Schenck,
Fithian,	Summers,
Foster,	Swing,
Hinchman,	Vail,
Hopper,	Vliet,
Hornblower,	Ward,
Hurley,	Warren,
Jackson,	Wells,
Jeffers,	West—30.

NAYS.

Messrs. Davis,	Messrs. Monro,
Howell,	Townsend,
Ireland,	Wick,
Kirkpatrick,	Wurts, Speaker—8.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council, that the House have passed said bill without amendment.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House that Council had disagreed to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to pension Hugh Aggins, a revolutionary soldier."

And that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act for the relief of the New-Barbadoes Toll Bridge Company, without amendment:

And that Council had also passed the following bills, viz.

"An act to divorce James I. Compton, of the county of Essex, from his wife Phebe:"

And "An act relative to the Prerogative Court."

To which bills they request the assent of the House of Assembly.

Said bills were then severally read, and ordered second readings.

On motion, the vote on the bill from Council, entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act to authorize the holding of special terms of the Courts of Common Pleas, in and for the counties therein named," passed December 10th, 1825,

Was ordered to be reconsidered;

When, on the question shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Chetwood,	Messrs. Little,
Cruser,	Merkle,
Earl,	Mickle,
Ellis,	Potts,
Farlee,	Summers,
Fithian,	Swing,
Hancock,	Townsend,
Hinchman,	Vail,
Hurley,	Warren,
Ireland,	Wells,
Jackson,	Wick,
Jeffers,	Wurts, Speaker—25.
Kirkpatrick,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Davis,	Messrs. Kline,
Evans,	Nevius,
Foster,	Schenck,
Hillard,	Vliet,
Hopper,	Van Winkle,
Hornblower,	Ward,
Howell,	West—14.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, and that the clerk inform Council that the House have passed the same amended.

The vote of yesterday, on the engrossed bill, entitled "An act to amend the act to prevent horse racing,"

Was reconsidered by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Jackson,
Chetwood,	Jeffers,
Davis,	Kirkpatrick,
Earl,	Little,
Ellis,	Merkle,
Evans,	Mickle,
Farlee,	Nevius,
Hillard,	Vail,
Hinchman,	Wells,
Hopper,	West,
Howell,	Wick—22.

NAYS.

Messrs. Cruser,	Messrs. Schenck,
Fithian,	Summers.
Foster,	Swing,
Hancock,	Townsend,
Hornblower,	Vliet,
Hurley,	Van Winkle,
Ireland,	Ward,
Kline,	Warren,
Monro,	Wurts, Speaker—19.
Potts,	

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to repeal an act entitled a further supplement to an act for the preservation of deer and other game, and to prevent trespassing with guns," passed 28th November, 1822,

Was read a third time, and ordered to be dismissed.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met,

Mr. Chetwood, from committee, reported thirty-seven items of business, which, in their opinion, demands the attention of the House, during the present sitting.

Ordered, to lie on the table.

The resolution laid on the table this morning, relative to a joint meeting,

Was taken up and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform Council of the same.

Mr. Jackson, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Speaker be, and he is hereby authorized and

empowered, to convene the General Assembly at any time during the present session, whenever any extraordinary occasion shall, in his opinion, render it necessary, by publishing the same, and the time of such meeting, in the newspapers printed in Trenton, in one at Morris-Town, one in Newark, one in Bridgeton, and one in Salem, at least two weeks previous to such time, which shall be deemed sufficient notice to the members of the House for their attendance;

Read, and agreed to.

The bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail Road Company,

Was taken up, when the amendment offered as a substitute for the first section, was disagreed to as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Chetwood,	Messrs.	Merkle,
	Evans,		Nevius,
	Fithian,		Summers,
	Hopper,		Swing,
	Hornblower,		Townsend,
	Howell,		Vail,
	Hurley,		Van Winkle,
	Kirkpatrick,		Ward,
	Kline,		Wurts, Speaker—19.
	Little,		

NAYS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Jackson,
	Black,		Jeffers,
	Cruser,		Mickle,
	Davis,		Monro,
	Earl,		Potts,
	Ellis,		Schenck,
	Farlee,		Vliet,
	Foster,		Warren,
	Hancock,		Wells,
	Hillard,		West,
	Hinchman,		Wick—23.
	Ireland,		

A motion was then made to postpone said bill to the second Tuesday in November next;

Which was lost by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Chetwood,	Messrs.	Evans,

Messrs. Fithian,	Messrs. Nevius,
Foster,	Summers,
Hancock,	Swing,
Hornblower,	Townsend,
Howell,	Vail,
Hurley,	Vliet,
Kirkpatrick,	Van Winkle,
Kline,	Ward,
Little,	Wurts, Speaker—20.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Jackson,
Black,	Jeffers,
Cruser,	Merkle,
Davis,	Mickle,
Earl,	Monro,
Ellis,	Potts,
Farlee,	Schenck,
Hillard,	Warren,
Hinchman,	Wells,
Hopper,	West,
Ireland,	Wick—22.

When, on motion, the same was ordered to be dismissed from the files.

The amendments made in Council to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act abolishing imprisonment for debt in certain cases,"

Were read, and agreed to; and said bill ordered to be re-engrossed for a third reading.

The amendments made in Council to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act relating to Hawkers, Pedlars, and Petty Chapmen, and to repeal the former acts on that subject,"

Were read, amended, and agreed to; and the bill ordered to be re-engrossed for a third reading.

The following bills from Council, viz:

"A supplement to an act to incorporate the Bridgewater Copper Mining Company," passed 8th December, 1825;

"A supplement to an act to reduce fees and costs of suit, and for other purposes;" And

"An act concerning small notes for the payment of money;"

Were severally read a second time, and ordered third readings.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to provide for the more equal and just representation of the several counties in this state, in the General Assembly,"

Was taken up, and postponed until to-morrow morning.

Mr. Jeffers, offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Council and General Assembly of the State of New-Jersey, That the Governor of this state, for the time being,

be, and he hereby is requested to address a message to the legislature of this state, at the annual meeting in October, and recommend such measures in relation to the resources, finances, laws and polity, of the state, as will in his opinion promote the happiness and prosperity of the people.

Ordered, to lie on the table, and to be printed.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to morrow morning.

FRIDAY, February 19, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Chetwood, presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Newark, relative to a certain water course in that place;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Messrs. Potts, Black, Ellis, Hopper, Ward, Van Winkle, and Jeffers, severally presented petitions in favor of an alteration in the law respecting horse racing;

Which were ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Mickle, with leave, presented a bill to repeal the "Act to incorporate the Belvidere Bank;"

Read, and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to erect parts of the counties of Essex and Bergen, into a new county, to be called Paterson,

Was taken up, and having been read and compared;

On the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Howell,
Chetwood,	Jackson,
Cruser,	Kirkpatrick,
Davis,	Little,
Ellis,	Merkle,
Farlee,	Monro,
Hancock,	Potts,
Hopper,	Vail,
Hornblower,	Vliet—18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Foster,
Earl,	Hinchman,
Fithian.	Hurley,

Messrs. Ireland,	Messrs. Townsend,
Kline,	Van Winkle,
Mickle,	Ward,
Nevius,	Warren,
Schenck,	West,
Summers,	Wick,
Swing.	Wurts, Speaker—20.

The engrossed joint-resolution, relative to a survey, under the authority of the United States, of certain bays and rivers in this state,

Was read a third time and compared,

And the same agreed to.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act concerning small notes for the payment of money,"

Was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Jeffers,
Black,	Kirkpatrick,
Chetwood,	Kline,
Cruser,	Little,
Davis,	Merkle,
Earl,	Mickle,
Ellis,	Nevius,
Farlee,	Potts,
Foster,	Schenck,
Hancock,	Summers,
Hillard,	Swing,
Hinchman,	Townsend,
Hopper,	Vail,
Hornblower,	Vliet,
Hurley,	Wells,
Ireland,	West,
Jackson,	Wurts, Speaker—34.

NAYS.

Messrs. Fithian,	Messrs. Ward,
Howell,	Warren,
Van Winkle,	Wick—6.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council that the House have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to reduce fees and costs of suit, and for other purposes," passed 12th December, 1823,

Was read a third time;
And on the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Chetwood,	Messrs. Merkle,
Cruser,	Mickle,
Earl,	Nevius,
Ellis,	Potts,
Farlee,	Schenck,
Fithian,	Summers,
Foster,	Swing,
Hillard,	Townsend,
Hinchman,	Vail,
Hopper,	Vliet,
Hornblower,	Ward,
Hurley,	Warren,
Ireland,	Wells,
Jeffers,	West,
Kirkpatrick,	Wick,
Little,	Wurts, Speaker—32.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett, Messrs. Hancock—2.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council, entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act to incorporate the Bridgewater Copper Mining Company," passed December 8th, 1825,

Was read a third time, and postponed.

The re-engrossed bill, entitled "An act relating to Hawkers, Pedlars, and Petty Chapmen, and to repeal the former acts on that subject,"

Was read as amended;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Farlee,
Black,	Fithian,
Chetwood,	Foster,
Cruser,	Hancock,
Davis,	Hillard,
Earl,	Hinchman,
Ellis,	Hopper

Messrs. Hornblower,	Messrs. Schenck,
Hurley,	Summers,
Ireland,	Swing,
Jackson,	Townsend,
Jeffers,	Vail,
Kirkpatrick,	Vliet,
Kline.	Ward,
Little,	Warren,
Merkle,	Wells,
Mickle,	West,
Nevius,	Wurts, Speaker—37.
Potts,	

NAY.

Mr. Wick.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council, that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendments made thereto in Council, with an amendment, to which the assent of Council is requested, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

Mr. Jackson, offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Council and General Assembly of the State of New-Jersey, That Charles Parker, treasurer of this state, be authorized, and he is hereby appointed, to cause the following improvements to the Assembly Room and Council Chamber, to be executed:—To separate the bar of the House from the spectators, and an elevation from five to fifteen inches, of three rows of seats next to the bar of the House; the entrance into the Assembly Room to be upon the plan of the Supreme Court Room, leaving the glass doors to be opened when the Council come into the Assembly Room in Joint-Meeting.

And be it further Resolved, That there be provided for the use of the members of Council, thirteen new desks of convenient size and construction, and to direct a window placed over each small door of the Council Chamber; and that the wood work of the room be painted, and walls whitewashed; and that the sum of be appropriated for the above objects; and the said Charles Parker, treasurer aforesaid, pay the same out of any money in the treasury not otherwise appropriated, and make report to the next sitting of the Legislature;

Which report was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act for the more equal and just representation of the several counties in this state, in the General Assembly."

Was again taken up, and a motion to postpone said bill to the first Tuesday of November next, lost by yeas and nays:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Davis,
Fithian,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kline,
Nevius,
Schenck,
Townsend,
West,
Wick—15.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Earl,
Ellis,
Farlee,
Foster,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Potts,
Summers,
Swing,
Vail,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
Wurts, Speaker—25.

On agreeing to the first section of the same, the yeas and nays being required, it was retained as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Earl,
Farlee,
Foster,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Ireland,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Potts,
Summers,
Vail,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
Wurts, Speaker—24.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Davis,
Fithian,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hurley,

Messrs. Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kline,
Nevius,
Schenck,
Swing,
Townsend,
West,
Wick—15.

When the House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their Secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "A supplement to an act entitled an act securing to Mechanics and others, payment for their labour and materials, in erecting any house or other building within the limits therein mentioned," passed February 25th, 1820,

Without amendment.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, from committee, to whom was referred No. 16 of unfinished business, "A report on the petition to drain the great meadows in the county of Warren,"

Reported a bill to effect that object;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading, and with the documents accompanying it, was ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to incorporate the Mansfield Aqueduct Company,

Was called up and recommitted.

The re-engrossed bill, entitled "An act abolishing imprisonment for debt in certain cases,"

Was read as amended;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Earl,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Merkle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Summers,
Swing,
Vail,
Van Winkle,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—28.

NAYS.

Messrs. Cruser,	Messrs. Schenck,
Farlee,	Townsend,
Ireland,	Vliet,
Mickle,	Ward—8.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendments made thereto in Council, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

Mr. Davis, presented the following communication from Charles Parker, esq. Treasurer of the state:

NEW-JERSEY TREASURY OFFICE,
TRENTON, FEBRUARY 19th, 1830.

To the Honorable the Legislative Council and General Assembly of the State of New-Jersey:

GENTLEMEN,

In 1827, the President, Directors, and Company of the Jersey Bank, refused to pay the tax that became due on their capital stock: the Treasurer, upon such refusal, applied to the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Judicature, of said state, for a distress warrant, in pursuance to law, for the purpose of enforcing payment thereof; notice was accordingly given to the company, setting forth that application had been made to the Chief Justice for a distress warrant, and that, on a certain day therein named, it would issue, unless sufficient reasons were assigned why it should not; no reasons being shewn at the time and place so fixed upon, a warrant did issue, directed to the sheriff of the county of Bergen, by virtue of which, the property of the company were seized upon and sold, and the amount of the debt, interest and costs made and paid into this office.

In 1828, like proceedings were had against said company, except that the sheriff made return of the warrant into the clerk's office of the Supreme Court, with an endorsement thereon, of the following or similar import: That the President, Directors, and Company of the Jersey Bank, had no goods, chattels, lands, nor tenements within his bailiwick, whereof to make the money required by the said writ, or any part thereof; since that time, no tax has been collected from that company.

The Monmouth bank, as the treasurer is informed and believes, is in a situation very similar to that of the Jersey bank; the tax on its capital stock, for two years past, are due and unpaid; the company has no real or personal estate out of which the tax, so due, can be made in the mode provided by law; to save, therefore, the trouble and expense attending the obtainment of a distress warrant, and the proceedings under it, without a remote hope of making any part of the money so due, no warrant was applied for.

The Paterson bank, and the Hoboken Manufacturing and Banking Company, suspended their operations within the last year; what

course they intend to take in relation to the payment of taxes in future, are yet to be ascertained, they have been written to upon the subject, but no answer has been received. Those companies are in arrears only for their taxes which came due the 1st of January of the present year.

Under the existing laws of the state, directing the collection of tax imposed on bank stocks in this state, the treasurer has no discretionary power; his duty is made imperative; he is bound to apply for a distress warrant against each and every bank that fails or neglects to pay a tax of half of one per cent. on their capital stock, actually subscribed and paid in, within thirty days after the first day of January, in each and every year. As respects the propriety of exacting the payment of taxes from banking institutions, during a suspension of banking busines, is a subject, as the treasurer believes. worthy of consideration, and a matter upon which he would respectfully ask of your honorable body, for special instructions.

The total amount of capital stock actually subscribed and paid in by the banks herein before named, were five hundred and fifty thousand dollars, as by their last returns in this office appears; consequently, the annual tax at half of one per cent. on that amount, would be twenty-seven hundred and fifty dollars.

All which is respectfully submitted,

By your obedient humble servant,

CHARLES PARKER.

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Davis, Howell, and Hinchman.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act for the more just and equal representation of the several counties in this state, in the General Assembly,"

Was again taken up, and a motion made to strike out the last proviso in the second section, which provided that no county should have more than five representatives;

And the yeas and nays being called for, the motion was disagreed to as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Chetwood,	Messrs. Hornblower,
Foster,	Little,
Hancock,	Vail—6.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Farlee,
Black,	Fithian,
Cruser,	Hinchman,
Davis,	Hopper,
Earl,	Howell,

Messrs. Hurley,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius.
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—31.

When the bill was gone through with by sections, and ordered a third reading.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act in revival of an act respecting forfeited estates,"

Was taken up, and after some discussion, a further consideration of the same was postponed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act relative to the Prerogative Court,"

Was read a second time, and ordered a third reading.

The rule being dispensed with, said bill was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Hurley,
Ireland,
Jackson,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Warren,
Wells,
Wick
Wurts, Speaker—34.

NAYS.

Messrs. Hancock,
Messrs. Summers—2.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk

inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council, entitled "A supplement to an act, to enable the owners and possessors of the marsh and swamp lying on a small creek called Newport, between the townships of Stow Creek and Greenwich, in the county of Cumberland, to erect and maintain a bank, dam, and other water works, across the said creek, in order to prevent the tide from overflowing the same,"

Was read a second time, and ordered a third reading;

And the rule being dispensed with,

Said bill was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council, that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to appoint a commissioner to settle up the business of Gabriel Hoff, late sheriff of the county of Hunterdon, deceased,

Was read a second time, and postponed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate of the minor children of William T. Bladen, dec."

Was read a second time, and ordered a third reading.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to repeal the acts to authorize the draining of the low grounds in the town of Newark, and the supplement thereto,"

Was read a second time, and postponed to the first Tuesday of November next.

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock, to morrow morning.

SATURDAY, February 20, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Schenck, presented a remonstrance from Gold Hoyt, and others, against an alteration in the act incorporating the Bridgewater Copper Mining Company.

Ordered, To lie on the table.

Mr. Potts, presented a petition from sundry persons, mechanics and others, inhabitants of the townships of Trenton and Nottingham, for a lien law;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Potts, Wells, and Fithian.

The bill to erect a new State-Prison.

Was made the order of the day for Monday afternoon next.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act for the more just and equal representation of the several counties in this state, in the General Assembly,"

Was read a third time;
And on the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Little,
Cruser,	Merkle,
Earl,	Mickle,
Farlee,	Potts,
Foster,	Summers,
Hancock,	Vail,
Hinchman,	Vliet,
Hopper,	Van Winkle,
Hornblower,	Ward,
Howell,	Warren,
Ireland,	Wells,
Kirkpatrick,	Wurts, Speaker—24.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Nevius,
Davis,	Schenck,
Fithian,	Swing,
Hillard,	Townsend,
Hurley,	West,
Jackson,	Wick—13.
Kline,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council, that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The joint resolution relative to alterations in the Assembly Room and Council Chamber,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to divorce James I. Compton, of the county of Essex, from his wife Phebe,"

Was read a second time, and ordered a third reading.

The bill relative to the compact with the state of Pennsylvania,

Was made the order of the day, for Tuesday morning next.

Mr. Hinchman, with leave, presented a bill to repeal the act establishing common schools;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Hancock, with leave, presented a bill relative to common schools;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The supplement to the "Act for the relief and settlement of the poor," passed 11th March, 1774,

Was read a second time, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

The report of the committee of the business before the House, necessary to be acted on during the present sitting,

Was called up and agreed to.

The bill to incorporate the Lambertsville Bank,

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill entitled "An act to divorce Aaron Fatoute, from his wife Catharine;"

Also, "An act to limit the number of Judges of the Courts of Common Pleas, in the several counties of this state;"

Also, a supplement to the act entitled "An act establishing a militia system," passed 18th February 1815; to which bills, they request the assent of the House of Assembly.

Also, that Council had agreed to the amendments made by the House of Assembly, to the bill from Council, entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act to authorize the holding of special terms of the Courts of Common Pleas, in and for the several counties therein mentioned," passed December 10th, 1825, and had caused said bill to be re-engrossed:

And that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to secure and defend the public revenue arising from lands let and to be let, for the planting or taking of oysters under the authority of this state," without amendment.

The bills from Council, viz. "An act to divorce Aaron Fatoute from his wife Catharine;"

And "An act to limit the number of Judges of the Courts of Common Pleas, in the several counties of this state;"

And a supplement to the act entitled "An act establishing a militia system," passed the 18th February, 1815,

Were severally read, and ordered second readings.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, with leave, presented a bill to repeal the act entitled "An act to secure and defend the public revenue arising from lands let and to be let, for planting and taking oysters, under the authority of this state;

Read, and a second reading of the same refused.

Ordered, That said bill be dismissed.

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, they will adjourn to Monday morning next.

House adjourned to Monday morning, next, 10 o'clock, A. M.

MONDAY, February 22, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Townsend, presented a petition from inhabitants of Cape May for a law for the protection of oysters;

Read, and referred to Messrs. Townsend, Bennett, and Swing.

Mr. Kline, offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Council and General Assembly, That the state prison committee be requested to examine into, and ascertain if possible, the cause of the recent fire, which took place at the state prison, and make report to this House as soon as possible, together with the extent of the loss sustained by the state;

Which was agreed to, and ordered to be sent to Council for their concurrence.

Mr. Hornblower, with leave, presented a bill to abolish imprisonment for debt, for small sums;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The engrossed joint resolution, relative to the alterations and repairs to be made in the Assembly room, and Council chamber,

Was read a third time and compared;

And the same agreed to.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The bill to incorporate the Eagle Fire Company of Mill-Hill,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The tax bill,

Was taken up, read a second time, and postponed on the second section.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House that Council had agreed to the joint resolution, requesting the state prison committee, to enquire concerning the recent fire at the prison.

Mr. Potts, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the chairman of the committee, appointed to report a tax bill, be instructed to obtain from the treasurer, an estimate of the amount necessary to be raised for the support of the government of this state, the ensuing year;

Read, and agreed to.

The bill relative to the publication of notices and orders of courts,

Was read a second time by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The supplement to the act relative to certain real estate, late of John G. Leake, dec'd.

Was read a second time, gone through with by sections, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill relative to taking acknowledgments and proof of convey-

ances in other states, by persons authorized by law to take such acknowledgments in this state,

Was read a second time, and postponed to the next session of the legislature.

Mr. Potts, offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Council and General Assembly of this state, That the Inspectors of the State Prison, be authorized to settle with and make compensation to such persons as have sustained loss of private property, by the recent fire at the prison.

Ordered, To lie on the table.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

The joint resolution, requesting the governor to communicate, by message, to the next legislature, concerning the general public interests of the state,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to amend the Judicial System of this state,

Was taken up, and ordered to be postponed to the next session of the legislature.

The bill to incorporate the Elizabeth-Town and Somerville Rail Road Company,

Was taken up and postponed to the first Tuesday in November next.

The bill to provide for the erection of a new state prison,

Was read a second time, and an amendment being offered, said bill was postponed until to-morrow, and the amendment ordered to be printed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to limit the number of Judges of the Courts of Common Pleas in the several counties of this state,"

Was read a second time, amended, and the same postponed.

The bill from Council, entitled a supplement to the act, entitled "An act establishing a militia system," passed the 18th February, 1815,

Was read a second time, and ordered a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to revive certain acts relative to the drowned lands, in the county of Sussex, and for other purposes," with sundry amendments, to which amendments they request the assent of the House of Assembly;

Which amendments were read and agreed to, and said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The same message also informed the House, that Council had pass-

ed the following bills from the House of Assembly without amendment, viz:

A supplement to the "Act for the preservation of deer and other game, and to prevent trespassing with guns," passed December 21st, 1771;

Also, an act to repeal an act, entitled "An act to repeal an act entitled an act to enable the chosen freeholders of the county of Gloucester, to build a bridge over Mantua Creek, at a place called Crown Point;"

And also, that Council would be ready to go into a joint-meeting, for the appointment of civil and military officers in this state, on Friday the 26th inst. at three o'clock, in the Assembly Room.

Mr. Kline, offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Council and General Assembly, That the Governor be authorized and requested to appoint one or more persons to revise the militia system of New-Jersey, with instructions to annex such additions and make such alterations in the same, as may be considered advisable, and make report to the next Legislature;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The resolution, adopted some time since, for this House to rise on the 25th inst.

Was reconsidered, and the same amended so as to read that this House will rise on the second day of March next;

And agreed to as amended.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, February 23, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Davis, from committee, to whom was referred a communication from Charles Parker, treasurer of the state, relative to taxes due, and remaining uncollected, from certain banks, made the following report:

That they have examined into the subject committed to them, and are of opinion that the president, directors, and company of the Jersey Bank, and the president, directors, and company of the Monmouth Bank, have no property within this state, out of which any moneys due can be collected. They find upon enquiry and examination, that the former suspended operations in 1826; that all their property, subject to seizure by a distress warrant, were sold by the sheriff of the county of Bergen, for the tax that become due in 1827; and that the latter failed and become insolvent in the summer of 1828. This appears by the communication referred, and corroborated by a statement of the officers of said bank, under oath made by the president and cashier, to the legislature in the session

of 1828. (See votes and proceedings, page 287.) By which communication and statement, we are satisfied that the company own no property out of which the taxes due can be made. With respect to the New-Jersey Manufacturing and Banking Company, commonly called the Hoboken Bank, and the Paterson Bank, the committee are of opinion, from all that appears, they ought to pay the tax due from each respectively, as they were engaged in banking operations a considerable part of the last year; that their suspension of business is probably but temporary.

Your committee would, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved by the Council and General Assembly of this state, That the treasurer be hereby directed to suspend the collection of any tax that may be due from the president, directors, and company of the Jersey Bank, and the president, directors, and company of the Monmouth Bank, until such bank or banks shall resume banking operations.

Resolved, That the treasurer proceed to collect any tax that may be due, or hereafter become due, from the New-Jersey Manufacturing and Banking Company, at Hoboken, as well also of the Paterson Bank and Company, at Paterson.

All which is respectfully submitted.

IVINS DAVIS.

Which report was read, and agreed to.

Mr. Townsend, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of the lower township of Cape May, for a law to regulate the planting of oysters,

Reported, That leave be given to the petitioners to present a bill for that purpose, on the second Tuesday of the next session of the Legislature, first advertising their intention at least two weeks in the month of September, in five of the most public places in said township;

Which report was read, and agreed to.

Mr. Hillard, from joint committee, to ascertain the cause of the recent fire at the state prison, and the loss sustained by the state in consequence, made the following report:

That in obedience to the resolution, they repaired immediately to the prison, and commenced their enquiries.

The committee have not been enabled to ascertain, as yet, the cause of the fire; investigations into this matter are on foot, and from information already received, there can be little doubt but that it was the work of an incendiary.

The Committee have ascertained the loss of the state to be as follows:

21 Cotton Looms,	at $12	$252 00
4 Country Looms,	10	40 00
15 Spool Wheels and Swifts,	2	30 00
9 Double Box Lays,	3	27 00
6 Single "	1.25	7 50
12 " "	1	12 00

20 Shuttles,	60	$12 00
3 Pr. Brushes,		2 25
5 Reaves,		4 00
2 Boxes,		50
4 Coal Stoves,	$8.00	32 00
15 Baskets,	12½	1 87½
2 Large do.	30	60
		$421 72½
Buildings estimated at		500 00
		$921 72½

Amount of Private Property:

1 Loom belonging to Mr. Cunningham,	$10 00
Carpet in Loom, 31 yards,	11 40
1 piece of goods belonging to W. P. Hunt,	3 30
1 do. " " to Mr. Chapman,	2 32
6 lb. of warp cotton, belonging to Mr. Large, and 4 lb. filling,	2 20
	$29 22

Loss sustained by J. H. Roe, one of the contractors, as per estimate made by him,	$59 86
" sustained by Bond, say	100 00

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Potts, from committee to whom was referred No. 21 of unfinished business, being a memorial from certain citizens of the county of Hunterdon, complaining of the official conduct of Henry Miller, esq. one of the justices of the peace of said county, made the following report:

That upon examination of the report of the committee of the last legislature, and the paper testimony which had been produced by the memorialists and the accused, in the character of affidavits, certificates, and other documents, and filed with that report, they found it an incumbent duty promptly to institute an investigation of the several charges exhibited, as well in justice to the character of the magistrate upon whom, by that report, the strongest suspicions of corruption were cast; and articles of impeachment against him avowed to be only withheld "on account of the impossibility of having it tried with a proper regard to his rights, at that session," as from a jealous concern for the purity of our Judiciary, which requires that every departure from the path of rectitude in the discharge of official duty, should be visited with exemplary punishment.

For the purpose of this investigation, the committee, at an early period of the present sitting, applied for, and obtained, the power to

send for persons and papers; and the accused, having made early application to be allowed the privilege of exculpating himself before the committee, was permitted, in conformity to the understood practice upon such occasions, to attend their sittings with his witnesses and counsel; and in the course of the examination the memorialists and the accused, by their counsel and witnesses, had a full hearing, twenty-two witnesses having been examined on the part of the memorialists, and ten on the part of the accused.

Much of the testimony was contradictory, and many witnesses introduced for the purpose of discrediting those who had testified to facts important in the case, and the committee consequently found it an exceedingly difficult and delicate task to discriminate between that which was entitled to full credit, and that which was liable to the imputation of being coloured by the excitement of feeling which plainly appeared to exist. Applying, however, the legal tests to the whole of the evidence, the committee, after a careful investigation and examination of the case, while they are unanimously of opinion that the justice has acted in several instances, very indiscreetly, and has given much occasion for the strong suspicions which existed of corruption, and the perversion of his official power to improper and selfish purposes; yet a majority of the committee believe that no case of positive and palpable official misconduct has been proved with sufficient clearness, to warrant articles of impeachment; allowing the explanatory and exculpatory testimony the weight which they are constrained to give it.

The first charge made by the complainants was, in substance, that the justice had issued process against Joseph Steelman and John Hall, in the name of one Lewis Van Antwerp, on a note of hand, which had been transferred for a valuable consideration, to the firm of Henry Miller (the justice) and son (who keep a store at New-Germantown) by the original holder; and had proceeded with the suit to judgment. The defence set up, was that Jacob B. Miller, who, it appears, was the active partner in the store, had taken the note for a debt due the firm, but had appropriated it to his own use, and benefit, by receipting for the amount on an obligation held by him against the firm, and had prosecuted it for his own benefit in his father's court; that his father, the justice, knew nothing of the transaction, and was ignorant of the fact, that the note had ever been the property of the firm. So far the explanation is satisfactory. But the facts sworn to, that when the defendants, in that suit, inquired of the justice where the plaintiff, Van Antwerp, lived, he informed one of them that he lived near Lamington Church, and the other that he lived near Kennedy's Mills, when the truth was that he was a merchant residing in New-York; and that when asked, by Steelman, who had drawn the state of demand, he replied that he did not know, but probably Van Antwerp, or a Mr. Sliff, while the demand then on file in his office, was in the hand writing of his son and partner in business, were, to say the least, admirably calculated to awaken suspicion that all was not right; and the suspicion thus awakened, was by no means allayed by the conduct of Jacob B. Miller, whose motive in using the name of Van Antwerp, an individual who had no

knowledge of, or interest in, the case, and procuring the same individual, after judgment had been entered, to *give colour* to the transaction by executing a power of attorney, and even writing to the constable who had the execution, desiring him speedily to collect the money, appears somewhat difficult of a fair explanation.

The second matter of complaint, grew out of a suit instituted in the court of justice Miller, against two persons by the name of Phillhower, on a note of hand for $5. This note had come into possession of Henry Hildebrand, one of the witnesses and complainants, who testifies that he traded it to the justice, in his store, for a fur cap, valued at $2.50, and two dollars in money; that the cap was given at the time, and the money settled after the note was collected. This note was prosecuted in the name of John Burgon or Bergen, acknowledged to have been either a fictitious name, or a name for using which there was no authority; Hildebrand admitted in his examination, that he had stipulated with Miller, that the note was not to be prosecuted in his name; and Jacob B. Miller testified, that Hildebrand had directed the suit to be brought in the name used; that the price of the cap was minuted down against him, and that when the money was collected, the balance due him was credited to him on the store account. The Phillhowers paid the money upon the return of the process; and inasmuch as no injustice was done, as far as the evidence discloses, either to the party defendants or to Hildebrand in the matter, and the testimony does not conclusively fix any interest in the note in Miller the justice, this charge is not, in the opinion of a majority of the committee, sustained; because there is no satisfactory evidence that the "trade" spoken of by Hildebrand, was any thing more than an understanding, that if the money on the note was collected, it was to be credited to his account. Still, the committee feel it their duty to express decided disapprobation of the conduct of the justice in blending in the smallest degree the business of his store and office, for the accommodation of his customers, or the sale of his goods. Every thing calculated to throw even the shadow of a suspicion over the court, of interest in the event of a suit, or bias in favour of either of the parties, should be avoided with scrupulous care, and jealous watchfulness; and if the committee did not hope that a clear intimation of the opinion of the House on this subject, would have the effect to prevent future indiscretions of the kind, they would feel little hesitation in recommending that this case should be made an example, which should operate as a warning to all who might hereafter be placed in circumstances of similar temptation.

The third charge of official misconduct was founded upon a suit brought before the justice by Henry P. Bartles against Joseph W. Guild, for the recovery of damages done by the defendant to a horse belonging to the plaintiff. Guild, the defendant, testified that after the trial, the justice took two weeks to consider the case; that on the day the judgment was to be rendered, he appeared in the court, with an appeal bond, resolved if the judgment should not be satisfactory, to take the case up to the Common Pleas; that the justice told him if he intended to appeal, the judgment would be

$25, or $20 at least; but if he did not appeal, it would be entered for $12.50; that the justice then put down on a piece of paper the sum of $12.50, and the cost under it; and also the sum of $25, and the cost under it, and asked him which he would choose, the former sum and war, or the latter and peace. Guild told him he would go and see the plaintiff; the justice agreed not to enter judgment until his return; and the suit was amicably settled between the parties, and judgment finally entered for $10, by consent of both plaintiff and defendant. The justice offered no defence to this charge, except such testimony as went to show that he had used efforts to settle the matter amicably; and that the nature and extent of the damage would have justified a judgment for the highest sum mentioned. The conduct of the justice in attempting, in this case, to exercise his official power with a view to compel a compromise, or in graduating the amount of his judgment according to the ulterior intentions of the defendant in the suit, was unquestionably wrong. It was his duty to render judgment according to the law and the evidence of the case, and to these alone—Sitting in his official capacity, he had no right to inquire what course the defendant meant to pursue in relation to the judgment—much less to make the amount dependant on that course. The law under which he acted, clothed him with no such discretion, and it is fortunate for the justice that the evidence entirely removes from this case, the suspicion of corrupt and vicious motives and designs on his part. In the absence of such evidence, the committee refrain from further noticing this charge.

Some other charges were exhibited against the accused, and an attempt made to support them by testimony. But upon a careful examination of the witnesses, and a review of the evidence reduced to writing, the committee are not of opinion that any of them are sustained by proof sufficient to call for measures on the part of the House, or any comment from the committee. The testimony in relation to these, as well as that which was offered in respect to the cases particularly noticed, are embraced in the notes of the committee, which are submitted with this report, for the examination of the House.

It is a source of deep and serious regret to the committee, that a case should have occurred in which they are unable wholly to acquit a judicial officer of the charges which are brought against him. Few instances have occurred in New-Jersey, in which the ermine of justice has been polluted by corruption, or sullied by indiscretion; and it becomes this House to watch with unceasing vigilance over this department of the government. In the case before us, no surprise exists that this prosecution was instituted. The justice himself had laid for it a broad foundation. He was in partnership with his son in a store, and notes which were transferred by individuals to the firm, or left for prosecution at the time purchases were made on a credit, and on the understood security of such notes, were afterwards prosecuted in his court. The public could not look into the secret history of these transactions, or know that by a dash of the pen, the joint interest of the partners was severed before the

suit, and the whole vested in one of them. The prosecution of claims thus situated before a justice, circumstanced as Miller was, could not well result in any thing less than suspicions of official malpractice Besides, it appears to have been a common practice with Jacob B. Miller, to institute these suits in the name of some person unknown to the defendants, instead of his own—thereby weaving round cases already sufficiently suspicious, a web of mystery, which seemed totally unnecessary, if all was fair; and involving the character of his father, the justice, in the dubiousness with which he enveloped these transactions.

The explanations given by Jacob B. Miller of these transactions, before the committee, induced the majority to decide against recommending an impeachment before the Council. His testimony was given with all the appearance of candour; and as far as facts could be examined, they appeared to corroborate it. No attempt was made to bring his credibility in question, by the memorialists; and the committee submit the whole case to the House, with the testimony taken, and the documents originally referred to them, and those since received, and recommend that the witnesses on the part of the complainants, be allowed the usual fees for their attendance.

STACY G. POTTS, *Chairman.*

And submitted the following resolution:

Resolved, That the witnesses subpœnaed on the part of the memorialists, in the case of Henry Miller, one of the justices of the peace, in and for the county of Hunterdon, be paid the usual fees, to be allowed in the incidental bill, upon the certificate of the committee appointed in that case;

Which report and resolution were read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Farlee, from the committee, who were instructed to ascertain from the treasurer, what sum, in his opinion, it would be necessary to raise for the support of the government of this state the ensuing year,

Reported the following communication from the treasurer:

To Isaac G. Farlee, esq., Chairman of the Committee, appointed to report a Tax Bill.

Sir,

In compliance with a resolution, adopted by the General Assembly, this morning, requesting the treasurer to furnish you with an estimate of the amount necessary to be raised for the support of the government of this state the ensuing year, beg leave to submit the following:

On the 27th day of October last, at the settlement of the treasurer's accounts, the balance in the treasury, was $9,022.38; the sum was subject to be reduced $2,000 by a special appropriation in pursuance of a law, passed at a previous sitting, for the purpose of aiding the inhabitants of the township of Pahaquary and Kowlton, in

the county of Warren, to open a road across the Blue Mountain, near the Water Gap, which sum has since been drawn. The available balance, therefore, to be applied to the expenses of the state the then ensuing year, were $7,022.38. The ordinary annual expenses of the government may be estimated at $36,000; this sum, however, is liable to vary from year to year, by a variation in the length of the sittings of the legislature, and by special appropriations, that sum being predicated upon the sittings of each year, not exceeding nine weeks, and without any allowance for special apppropriations, it is probable that the sittings of the present legislature, will exceed that time ten days; if so, the expense will be increased about $2,000. The treasurer is of opinion that provision ought to be made by law, at the present sitting of the legislature, to raise $40,000; he believes, by raising this sum, the annual balance will increase from two to four thousand dollars. There need be no loss by having surplus funds in the treasury, it can be profitably applied to benefit the school fund. It is probable, however, there will be an increased expense at the state prison the present year, owing to the late fire. The treasurer submits the following statement to show the receipts and disbursements the present year:

1829, October 27, To balance in the treasury		$9,022 38
Tax received since		40,000 00
Incidental receipts		1,000 00
		$50,022 38
Cr.		
Expenses of Government	$38,000	
Appropriation to open road	2,000	
		$40,000 00
		$10,022 38

There will be in the treasury, on the 27th day of October, of the present year, $10,0022 38; this sum will be the balance to commence an estimate for 1831.

1830, Oct. 27, to balance in treasury	$10,022 38
Tax to be provided	40,000 00
	$50,022 38
Cr.	
Expense of Government	36,000 00
Balance	$14,022 38

It appears that in October 1831, there will be a balance in the treasury of $14,022.38. This however is supposing mere ordinary expenses. If the legislature direct the construction of a new state prison, they must provide a much larger sum than the foregoing estimates give. If that is not done, a new weave shop must be built, which will probably cost from $1,000 to $1,500, and will reduce the above balance accordingly.

Respectfully submitted, by your obedient humble servant.

CHARLES PARKER.

Which was read, and ordered to lie on the table, and to be printed.

Mr. Hopper, from committee on that subject, made the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of Bergen, praying for an alteration in the law respecting the chosen freeholders of the different townships in this state,

Beg leave to report:

That at the present advanced stage of the session, the committee are of opinion the necessary opportunity cannot be afforded to digest and prepare a law which would meet the views of the petitioners, and they are therefore unwilling to occupy the time of the House, by reporting such bill.

All which, is respectfully submitted;

Which report was read and agreed to.

The report of the joint committee, appointed to settle the accounts of the state prison,

Was taken up and agreed to, and ordered to be sent to Council for their concurrence.

The joint resolution, authorizing the payment of private losses by the late fire at the state prison,

Was read a second time, amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The engrossed joint resolution, requesting the governor to address a message to the Legislature at their next annual meeting,

Was read a third time and compared, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The bill from Council, entitled a further supplement to "An act establishing a militia system," passed 18th February, 1815,

Was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Black,	Messrs.	Jeffers,
	Chetwood,		Kirkpatrick,
	Cruser,		Merkle,
	Davis,		Mickle,
	Earl,		Potts,
	Ellis,		Swing,
	Fithian,		Townsend,
	Foster,		Ward,
	Hinchman,		Warren,
	Howell,		Wells,
	Hurley,		West,
	Jackson,		Wick—21.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Nevius,
Farlee,	Schenck,
Hancock,	Summers,
Hillard,	Vail,
Hopper,	Vliet,
Hornblower,	Van Winkle,
Little,	Wurts, Speaker—14.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to authorize the sale of certain real estate of the minor children of William T. Bladen, deceased,"

Was read a third time, and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Hurley,
Black,	Jeffers,
Chetwood,	Merkle,
Cruser,	Mickle,
Earl,	Summers,
Ellis,	Swing,
Evans,	Townsend,
Fithian,	Vail,
Foster,	Warren,
Hinchman,	Wells,
Hornblower,	West—22.

NAYS.

Messrs. Davis,	Messrs. Nevius,
Farlee,	Potts,
Hancock,	Schenck,
Hillard,	Vliet,
Hopper,	Van Winkle,
Jackson,	Ward,
Kirkpatrick,	Wick,
Kline,	Wurts, Speaker—16.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council, that the House of Assembly have passed said bil without amendment.

The bill from Council, entitled "A supplement to the act incorporating the Bridgewater Copper Mining Company." passed the 8th of November, 1825,

Was read a third time;
And on the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Kline,
	Davis,		Merkle,
	Ellis,		Nevius,
	Evans,		Summers—9
	Howell,		

NAYS.

Messrs.	Black,	Messrs.	Kirkpatrick,
	Cruser,		Little,
	Earl,		Mickle,
	Farlee,		Schenck,
	Fithian,		Swing,
	Foster,		Townsend,
	Hancock,		Vail,
	Hinchman,		Ward,
	Hopper		Warren,
	Hornblower,		Wells,
	Jackson,		Wick,
	Jeffers,		Wurts, Speaker—24.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have disagreed to said bill.

The engrossed bill, entitled a supplement to the act entitled "An act to protect certain real estate late of John G. Leake, dec'd."
Was read a third time and compared;
And on the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the Eagle Fire Company of Mill-Hill, Burlington county,"
Was read a third time, and compared;
And on the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Fithian,
	Black,		Foster,
	Cruser,		Hancock,
	Davis,		Hillard,
	Earl,		Hinchman,
	Farlee,		Hopper,

Messrs. Hornblower,	Messrs. Swing,
Howell,	Townsend,
Hurley,	Vail,
Jeffers,	Vliet,
Kline,	Van Winkle,
Merkle,	Ward,
Mickle,	Warren,
Nevius,	Wells,
Potts,	West,
Schenck,	Wick,
Summers,	Wurts, Speaker—34.

NAY.

Mr. Ellis.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act concerning orders and notices of courts, in certain cases,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Kline,
Black,	Little,
Chetwood,	Merkle,
Cruser,	Nevius,
Earl,	Potts,
Evans,	Schenck,
Farlee,	Summers,
Fithian,	Swing,
Foster,	Townsend,
Hillard,	Vail,
Hinchman,	Van Winkle,
Hopper,	Ward,
Hornblower,	Warren,
Howell,	Wells,
Hurley,	Wurts, Speaker—31.
Jeffers,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Davis,	Messrs. Vliet,
Ellis,	West,
Hancock,	Wick—6.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House have resolved to rise on the second of March next.

The re-engrossed bill, entitled "An act relative to the drowned lands in the county of Sussex, and for other purposes,"

Was read as amended, and the same postponed until the afternoon.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act in revival of an act respecting forfeited estates."

Was read a second time, and postponed.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the Lambertsville Bank,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Merkle,
Ellis,	Potts,
Evans,	Schenck,
Farlee,	Summers,
Hinchman,	Vail,
Hurley,	Wick,
Jeffers,	Wurts, Speaker—14.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Little,
Cruser,	Mickle,
Davis,	Nevius,
Fithian,	Swing,
Foster,	Townsend,
Hancock,	Vliet,
Hillard,	Van Winkle,
Hopper,	Ward,
Hornblower,	Warren,
Howell,	Wells,
Kirkpatrick,	West—23.
Kline,	

The re-engrossed bill relative to the drowned lands in Sussex,

Was taken up;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Little.
Chetwood,	Mickle,
Cruser,	Nevius,
Earl,	Potts,
Fithian,	Schenck,
Foster,	Summers,
Hancock,	Swing,
Hinchman,	Townsend,
Hopper,	Vail,
Hornblower,	Van Winkle,
Hurley,	Ward,
Jackson,	Warren,
Jeffers,	Wells,
Kirkpatrick,	Wurts, Speaker—29.
Kline.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Howell,
Davis,	Merkle,
Ellis,	Vliet,
Evans,	West,
Farlee,	Wick—11.
Hillard,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk carry said bill to Council, and inform them that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendments made thereto in Council, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The House proceeded to the order of the day, when the bill to ratify and confirm the compact with the state of Pennsylvania, relative to the waters of the river Delaware,

Was read a second time, and while under discussion, the House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, February 24, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill, entitled "An act to alter the corporate name of the first congregational church, in the county of Morris, located at Chester, in said county;"

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested:

Which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Nevius, presented memorials from sundry inhabitants of Somerset and Middlesex, mechanics and others, for a lien law;

Referred to committee on that subject.

The engrossed joint resolution, authorizing remuneration for loss of private property by the recent fire at the State Prison,

Was read a third time and disagreed to.

The bill to ratify and confirm the compact with the state of Pennsylvania, for the use of the waters of the Delaware River,

Was again taken up, and amended, and the same ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The supplement to the act establishing Common Schools,

Was read a second time, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the following bills from the House of Assembly, without amendment, viz:

"A further supplement to the act entitled an act to confirm the charter, rights and privileges of the Borough of Elizabeth;" And

"A supplement to the act concerning forcible entries and detainers;" Also,

That Council had passed the bill, entitled "An act respecting the clerks of the Courts of Common Pleas in this state;"

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

Whereupon said bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill to abolish imprisonment for small debts,

Was read a second time, and the first section disagreed to.

Mr Kirkpatrick, with leave, presented a bill, as a supplement to the act making provision for carrying into effect the act for the punishment of crimes;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

The report of the committee on the case of Henry Miller, esq. one of the justices of the peace of the county of Hunterdon,

Was taken up;

On the question of agreeing to said report, the yeas and nays being called, said report was disagreed to as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Hinchman,
Farlee,	Hurley,
Foster,	Kline,
Hancock,	Merkle,

Messrs. Mickle,
Nevius,
Schenck,
Townsend,
Messrs. Van Winkle,
Ward,
Wells,
Wurts, Speaker—16.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Evans,
Fithian,
Hillard,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Messrs. Jackson,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Potts,
Summers,
Swing,
Vail,
Vliet,
Warren,
West,
Wick—23.

Ordered, That said report be recommitted, with instructions to the committee, to report articles of impeachment against said justice.

The vote on the resolution authorizing remuneration to persons for loss of private property at the recent fire at the State Prison,

Was ordered to be reconsidered;

And said resolution referred to Messrs. Mickle, Potts, and Kline.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to divorce James I. Compton, of Essex, from his wife Phebe,"

Was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Cruser,
Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Merkle,
Messrs. Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Townsend,
Vail,
Vliet,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick—23.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Howell,
Chetwood,	Kirkpatrick,
Davis,	Kline,
Earl,	Mickle,
Fithian,	Swing,
Foster,	Van Winkle,
Hancock,	Wurts, Speaker—15.
Hornblower,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill to divorce Mary Smith, from her husband Peter T. Smith,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to divorce Aaron Faitoute, from his wife Catharine,"

Was read a second time, and ordered a third reading.

The bill relative to the Map of New-Jersey,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill for the erection of a new state prison,

Was taken up, read a second time, and gone through with by section, and a motion to postpone said bill to the next session of the legislature,

Was lost by ayes and noes as follows:

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Jeffers,
Davis,	Mickle,
Earl,	Summers,
Evans,	Townsend,
Fithian,	Ward,
Foster,	Warren,
Hopper,	West,
Hurley,	Wick—16.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Little,
Chetwood,	Merkle,
Cruser,	Nevius,
Ellis,	Potts,
Farlee,	Schenck,
Hancock,	Swing,
Hillard,	Vail,
Hinchman,	Van Winkle,
Hornblower,	Wells,
Jackson,	Wurts, Speaker—21.
Kirkpatrick.	

After which, said bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "A supplement to the act, entitled an act for the instruction of indigent deaf and dumb persons, inhabitants of this state," with an amendment, and request the assent of the House of Assembly to the same;

Which amendment was read, and a further consideration of the same postponed.

The message also informed that Council had passed the following bills and joint resolutions, from the House of Assembly, without amendment, viz.

A supplement to the act entitled "An act to protect certain real property of John G. Leake, dec'd. passed the 21st February, 1829;"

And "An act concerning the publication of notices and orders of courts in certain cases."

The joint resolution, relating to certain alterations in the Council Chamber and Assembly Room;"

Also, the joint resolution, relating to annual messages of the governor of this state;"

And also, the joint resolution, requesting Andrew Kirkpatrick, esq. to revise the acts relating to the Prerogative and Orphans' Court, &c.

And that Council had also passed the bill entitled "An act to vest certain property in the Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestrymen of Trinity Church at Newark."

To which bill Council requests the assent of the House of Assembly;"

Which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill, a supplement to an act making provision for carrying into effect the act for the punishment of crimes,

Was read a second time, and postponed until to-morrow morning.

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, February 25, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Mr. Summers, from committee, to whom was recommitted the bill to incorporate the Mansfield Aqueduct Company, reported the same amended;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Ellis, with leave, presented a supplement to the act incorporating the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Middletown Point, passed the 3d day of February, 1830;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading, and the printing of the same dispensed with.

Mr. Mickle, from committee, to whom was referred the joint resolution relative to remunerating for loss of private property, by the late fire at the state prison, reported the same with amendments;

Which amendments were read and agreed to, and said resolution ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Potts, from the committee, to whom was recommitted the report on the case of Henry Miller, esq. with instructions to report articles of impeachment, reported the following:

Articles exhibited by the General Assembly of the State of New-Jersey, against Henry Miller, esquire, one of the Justices of the Peace, in and for the county of Hunterdon, in maintenance and support of their impeachment against him for official misconduct.

ARTICLE I.

That unmindful of his duty as a magistrate of said county of Hunterdon, the said Henry Miller did, in his official capacity, issue a process in a civil suit against one Joseph Stileman and John Hall, on a certain note, executed by said defendants, to the administrators of one Cornelius Rulifson, deceased, which said note was transferred or delivered to one Jacob Miller, the son and partner in trade of said justice, in part payment of an account due the firm of Henry Miller and son, from the estate of said Rulifson, and which said note was prosecuted to judgment by said justice, in the name of one Lewis Van Antwerp, without his knowledge or consent, and for the use and benefit of the said Henry Miller, and his son Jacob Miller.

ARTICLE II.

That the said Henry Miller conducted himself unjustly and illegally in the matter following, to wit: that having, by assignment or delivery, become the holder of a certain note, for the payment of five dollars or thereabouts, drawn by Christopher Philhower, and Christopher Philhower, junior, he issued a process thereon against the drawers thereof, in the name of one John Bergen or John Burgon, and proceeded to judgment thereon, prosecuting the same for his own benefit and without the knowledge or consent of the plaintiff named in said process, or in the name of a fictitious plaintiff.

ARTICLE III.

That the said Henry Miller further violated his duty as a justice of the peace in this: that having issued a process in a civil suit against one Joseph W. Guild, at the suit of Henry P. Barttles, for the recovery of damages, after the trial of the cause, and before the rendition of judgment, he informed the defendant, that if he intended to appeal from the judgment about to be rendered, he, the said justice, would render a judgment for twenty-five dollars, or twenty dollars at least, and if he would not appeal, that then the judgment should be for twelve dollars and fifty cents only, thereby attempting to intimidate the said defendant, and deprive him of the exercise of his legal right.

And the General Assembly, by protestation, saving to themselves

the right of exhibiting at any time hereafter, any further articles, or other accusations or impeachment against the said Henry Miller; and also, of replying to his answers which he shall make unto the said articles or any of them, and offering proof of all and every of said articles, and to all and every other articles, impeachment, or accusation, which shall or may be exhibited by them as the case shall require, do demand that the said Henry Miller may be put to answer the said misbehaviour, and that such proceedings, examination, trial, and judgments may be thereupon had and given, as are agreeable to law and justice.

Further articles exhibited by the General Assembly of the state of New-Jersey.

ARTICLE IV.

That the said Henry Miller did, on or about the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven, put, or cause to be put, into the hands of Joseph Smith, esquire, a justice of the peace of the county of Morris, and did direct, and order the said justice Smith, or cause him to be directed and ordered to prosecute and collect in the name of one Asa Reding or Redding, as plaintiff, a certain note of hand given by one William Gulick to one Isaac W. Martin; which note the said Isaac W. Martin had theretofore placed in the hands of said Henry Miller, or of his clerk, to be prosecuted and collected before him, the said H. Miller, for the use and benefit of him the said Isaac W. Martin. And the said Henry Miller did prosecute, or cause to be prosecuted the said note against the said William Gulick, before the said Joseph Smith, esq. without the knowledge, or consent of the said Isaac W. Martin or of the said Asa Reding or Redding, and without any assignment, endorsement, or transfer, whatsoever, of any right or interest thereof, or therein, by the said Isaac W. Martin to the said Henry Miller, or to the said Asa Reding or Redding, or either of them. And the said Henry Miller did order and direct, or cause to be ordered and directed, the said note to be prosecuted and collected before the said Joseph Smith, esquire, against the said William Gulick, for his own use and benefit.

ARTICLE V.

That the docket, or official record of the said Henry Miller, justice, has not been kept and made by him according to law:—First,

In this, that it does not contain entries or records of all suits instituted and prosecuted before him.

It does not contain any entry or record of a suit instituted and prosecuted before him, in the name of one John Bergen or Bergon against one Henry Haws.

It does not contain any entry or record of a suit instituted and prosecuted before him, in the name of said John Bergen or Bergon against one Christopher Philhower.

Second, in this, That erasures and alterations of the names of parties, plaintiff and defendant in suits entered and recorded in said docket, have been made by said Henry Miller.

The name of John Bergen, Plaintiff in a suit entered and recorded in said docket as plaintiff, against Christopher Philhower and Christopher Philhower, junior, defendants, has been altered by said justice, so as to read John Burgon plaintiff, instead of John Bergen;

Which were read and agreed to.

Mr. Potts, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee of two members of this House, be appointed to appear before Council, to impeach in the name of the General Assembly, Henry Miller, esq. of misbehaviour in office;

Which was read and agreed to, and Messrs. Potts and Nevius appointed.

Ordered, That Mr. Potts be excused from serving on the above committee;

Whereupon, Mr. Hornblower was appointed to conduct said impeachment, in connection with Mr. Nevius.

Mr. Jackson, from committee, to whom was referred certain resolutions of the states of Georgia, Missouri, Mississippi, Pennsylvania, Vermont, and Louisiana, relative to the tariff, amendments of the constitution of the United States, and the right of appropriation of money by the General Government, for the purpose of aiding the American Colonization Society, made the following report, and submitted the following resolutions:

The committee to whom was referred certain resolutions of the legislature of the states of Virginia, Vermont, Mississippi, and Pennsylvania, on the subject of the constitutionality and expediency of the present Tariff laws of the United States, and also a resolution of the legislature of Missouri, in relation to the power of Congress, to appropriate money in aid of the American Colonization Society; and also, the resolutions of the legislature of Missouri, Louisiana, Vermont, and Georgia, relative to an alteration in that part of the Constitution of the United States, which directs the mode of electing the President and Vice-President, beg leave respectfully to report—

That they have had under consideration, the resolutions relative to the Tariff, and to the power of Congress to appropriate money to aid the American Colonization Society, and are fully satisfied of the importance of the subjects embraced in them. They are satisfied that a correct course of national legislation, in regard to them, is of the first importance to the welfare and prosperity of the Union; they involve the (apparently) adverse interests and feelings of different sections of the community, and require, not only to be thoroughly understood, but to be met at all times in a spirit of liberality and forbearance.

But your committee have been finally impressed with the idea, that by the Constitution of the United States, all legislation on those subjects, has been committed to Congress; and that in that body, the citizens of the state of New-Jersey, are represented by persons of their own choice, selected specially for their wisdom and intelligence to legislate on matters of national concernment; that on the other hand, the legislatures of the states are constituted for pur-

poses altogether different. The duties and responsibilities of both are definite and distinct, and without intending any disrespect to the councils of other states, your committee are of opinion, that the expediency of the practice which now prevails to a certain extent in the state legislatures. of expressing opinions on subjects on which they have no power of legislation, may well be questioned. The practice has greatly extended within a few years, and if it should continue to increase, the time is at hand when every matter of interest that agitates the national councils, will be canvassed in the legislatures of the different states; to save us from the unpleasant and injurious consequences of such a state of things, your committee think should be carefully avoided: under this view of the subject, they submit the following resolution:

Resolved by the Council and General Assembly of this State, That it is inexpedient to express any opinion on the subjects embraced in the said last mentioned resolutions.

And in relation to the resolutions of the states of Louisiana and Missouri, recommending alterations in that part of the Constitution of the United States, which directs the mode of electing President and Vice President, your committee beg leave to Report:

That the mode in which the Constitution of the United States, may be amended, is distinctly pointed out in that instrument.

Your committee being of opinion that the mode adopted by the legislatures of the states of Louisiana and Missouri, is not in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution, and that the agreement or disagreement on the part of this legislature, to the said resolutions, will be altogether nugatory, and in no wise alter or amend the Constitution, deem it unnecessary to legislate on the subject; they therefore submit the following resolution:

Resolved by the Council and General Assembly of this State, That it is inexpedient to express any opinion at this time, on the resolutions of the states of Louisiana and Missouri, relative to an amendment of the Constitution of the United States.

All which is respectfully submitted.

JOSEPH JACKSON,
Chairman of the Committee.

Which report having been read,

Mr. Hornblower, from the same committee, offered the following as a substitute:

The committee to whom was referred the public documents and resolutions from the states of Georgia, Virginia, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri, and Vermont, which were communicated to the House of Assembly by His Excellency, the Governor, respectfully report:

That your committee have examined the documents referred to them by the House, and find they present for the consideration of the Legislature of this state, the following propositions:

1. That the present mode of electing a President and Vice President of the United States, ought to be altered, and the consti-

tution in that respect so amended, as to refer the election immediately to the people.

2. That the term of office of the President, ought to be extended to six years, and he then be ineligible to a re-election.

3. That Congress have no power to regulate the Tariff so as to encourage and protect Domestic Manufactures.

4. That Congress have no power to appropriate any part of the public revenues to works of internal improvements.

5. That Congress have no right to make appropriations in aid of the American Colonization Society. And

6. That each state has a right to adopt and act upon its own construction of the constitution of the United States.

Your committee have given to each of these subjects, the respectful consideration due to them, in reference to the high authorities from which they have emanated; and while your committee would cherish a free and respectful interchange of sentiments between the different state governments, on subjects of general and national concern, they deem it altogether unnecessary to enter upon any discussion, at this time, of the subjects embraced in the communications referred to them; because on some of those subjects the people of this state, through their representatives in Assembly and in Congress, have already expressed a decided opinion; and because your committee believe that no arguments of them can shed more light on the other topics embraced in the documents referred to, than the House already possess.

Therefore, your committee respectfully recommend the adoption of the following resolutions:

Resolved by the Council and General Assembly of the State of New-Jersey, That it is inexpedient to alter the constitution of the United States, either in respect to the manner of electing the President, or in regard to the duration of his term of office, or his eligibility to a re-election.

Resolved, That Congress have constitutionally the power of enacting and regulating a Tariff, with a view to encourage and protect American industry and domestic manufactures.

Resolved, That Congress have a constitutional right to appropriate public moneys for internal improvements.

Resolved, That this Legislature does not concur in the opinion that each state has a right to adopt and act upon its own construction of the constitution of the United States; but, on the contrary, believe such a doctrine, if admitted, would at once destroy the Union, and demolish our national happiness and prosperity.

Resolved, That on the subject of appropriations in aid of the American Colonization Society, it is unnecessary for the legislature to express any opinion at this time.

Resolved, That the Governor of this state transmit a copy of the foregoing resolutions to the Governors of the several states, to be by them submitted to their respective Legislatures.

Respectfully submitted.

Which was disagreed to as follows, by yeas and nays:

YEAS.

Messrs. Chetwood,	Messrs. Little,
Fithian,	Swing,
Foster,	Townsend,
Hancock,	Vail,
Hopper,	Van Winkle,
Hornblower,	Ward—12.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Kirkpatrick,
Cruser,	Merkle,
Davis,	Mickle,
Earl,	Nevius,
Ellis,	Potts,
Evans,	Schenck,
Farlee,	Summers,
Hillard,	Vliet,
Hinchman,	Warren,
Howell,	Wells,
Hurley,	West,
Jackson,	Wick,
Jeffers,	Wurts, Speaker—26.

After which, the report of the committee was postponed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to incorporate the Eagle Fire Company of Mill-Hill, Burlington county," with sundry amendments;

To which amendments they request the assent of the House of Assembly;

Which amendments were read, and agreed to, and said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The message further informed the House, that Council had disagreed to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled an act supplementary to the act entitled "An act relative to the Supreme and Circuit Courts."

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to prevent horse racing,"

Was read a third time, and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Davis,
Cruser,	Earl,

Messrs. Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Howell,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Summers,
Vail,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—23.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chetwood,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Hurley,
Little,
Potts,
Schenck,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward—15.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign said bill, and that the clerk carry said bill to Council and request their concurrence.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to divorce Aaron Faitoute from his wife Catharine,"

Was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Vliet,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick—28.

NAYS.

Messrs. Hancock,
Howell,
Kirkpatrick,
Nevius.
Potts,
Van Winkle,
Wurts, Speaker—7.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council, that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act relative to the Map of New Jersey,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Kirkpatrick,
	Chetwood,		Little,
	Cruser,		Nevius,
	Earl,		Potts,
	Farlee,		Schenck,
	Hopper,		Summers,
	Hornblower,		Swing,
	Howell,		Vail,
	Hurley,		Warren,
	Jeffers,		Wells—20.

NAYS.

Messrs.	Black,	Messrs.	Merkle,
	Davis,		Mickle,
	Ellis,		Townsend,
	Evans,		Vliet,
	Fithian,		West,
	Foster,		Wick,
	Hinchman,		Wurts, Speaker—15.
	Jackson,		

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to divorce Mary Smith from her husband Peter T. Smith,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Black,	Messrs.	Cruser,
	Chetwood,		Davis,

Messrs. Earl,	Messrs. Nevius,
Ellis,	Potts,
Evans,	Schenck,
Farlee,	Summers,
Foster,	Townsend,
Hinchman,	Vail,
Hopper,	Ward,
Hurley,	Warren,
Jackson,	Wells,
Jeffers,	West,
Merkle,	Wick,
Mickle,	Wurts, Speaker—28.

NAYS.

Messrs. Fithian,	Messrs. Swing,
Hancock,	Vliet,
Kirkpatrick,	Van Winkle—6.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to divorce Catharine Beavers from her husband Frederick Beavers,"

Was read a second time, and ordered a third reading.

The rule being dispensed with, (two thirds of the members concurring therein,) the vote on the bill from Council entitled "An act to incorporate the Camden and Salem Rail Road and Transportation Company,"

Was ordered to be reconsidered.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to ratify and confirm an agreement made between commissioners appointed by the legislature of the state of Pennsylvania, and commissioners appointed by the legislature of the state of New-Jersey, for the purpose of effecting an arrangement between the states of Pennsylvania and New-Jersey, for the mutual use of the waters of the river Delaware, for canals, and for other purposes,"

Was read a third time, and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Hancock,
Black,	Hinchman,
Chetwood,	Hornblower,
Cruser,	Howell,
Davis,	Hurley,
Earl,	Jackson,
Evans,	Jeffers,
Fithian,	Kirkpatrick,
Foster,	Merkle,

Messrs. Nevius,	Messrs. Vail,
Potts,	Warren,
Schenck,	Wells,
Swing,	West,
Townsend,	Wick—28.

NAYS.

Messrs. Farlee,	Messrs. Vliet,
Hopper,	Van Winkle,
Little,	Ward,
Mickle,	Wurts, Speaker—9.
Summers,	

Ordered, That the Speaker sign said bill, and that the same be sent to Council for concurrence.

The bill from Council, entitled an act in revival of "An act respecting forfeited estates,"

Was read a second time, and ordered a third reading.

The amendments made in Council to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled a supplement to the act entitled "An act for the instruction of indigent deaf and dumb persons, inhabitants of this state,"

Were read and agreed to, and said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The following bills from Council, viz:

"An act respecting clerks of the courts of Common Pleas, in this state;" And

"An act to alter the corporate name of the first congregational church in the county of Morris, located at Chester, in said county;" And also,

"An act to vest certain property in the Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestrymen of Trinity Church, at Newark,"

Were severally read a second time, and ordered third readings.

Ordered, That the vote on the bill, entitled "An act relative to the Map of New-Jersey," be reconsidered.

The bill to authorize justices of the peace to take acknowledgements of deeds, &c.

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Potts, offered the following resolutions:

WHEREAS, The interests and prosperity of the state of New-Jersey, in common with the other states of the Union, depend in a great measure upon the success of the agricultural and manufacturing interests of the country; and the watchful and fostering care of the National Executive and Legislature over these branches of industry, is desirable and necessary for the equal benefit of all classes of the community; *And whereas*, the loss of the West India Trade, during the last administration, and the policy which has closed the ports of Europe, against the productions of our farmers, has depressed the agricultural interests, and calls for any remedy, which it may be within the power of the government to

afford, consistent with a judicious policy: *And whereas*, the high duties now imposed on articles of foreign growth, such as tea and coffee, which cannot come in competition with our own productions, while they operate as a direct tax upon all classes of our fellow citizens, and, in the present state of our national finances, unnecessary—THEREFORE,

Resolved by the Council and General Assembly of this State, That our Senators and Representatives in Congress, be requested to use their influence with the Executive and Congress, to procure the adoption of such measures, to advance our agricultural interests, and open to our farmers a foreign market or markets for the vending of their surplus products, as may be prudent and practicable.

Resolved, That they be also requested, by their votes, to favour the maintenance of such a fair and judicious protection of our manufacturing interests, as may tend to afford encouragement to those branches of home industry, and especially to such manufactures as are necessary in time of war.

Resolved, That they be likewise requested, to favour a gradual reduction of the duties now imposed by law, on such articles, the growth of foreign countries, which cannot come in competition with our own productions, and are extensively consumed by our citizens.

Resolved, That the governor of this state, be, and he is hereby requested to cause a copy of the foregoing preamble and resolutions to be forwarded to each of the Senators and Representatives of this State, in the Congress of the United States;

Which were read, and ordered to lie on the table, and to be printed.

Mr. Jeffers, with leave, presented a petition from the Wardens and Vestrymen of St. Michael's Church of Trenton,

Referred to Messrs. Jeffers, Mickle, and Hancock.

Ordered, That the House proceed to make nominations for Joint-Meeting.

The House having gone through with their nominations;

Ordered, That a duplicate list of the same be sent to Council.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, February 26, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to vest certain property in the Rector, Church Wardens, and Vestrymen of Trinity Church at Newark,"

Was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

Mr. Jeffers, from committee, reported a bill for the relief of St. Michael's Church of Trenton;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to authorize justices of the peace to take acknowledgments and proof of deeds, &c."

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Mickle,
Black,	Potts,
Davis,	Summers,
Earl,	Swing,
Farlee,	Vliet,
Foster,	Van Winkle,
Hinchman,	Ward,
Hopper,	Warren,
Hurley,	Wells,
Jackson,	West,
Jeffers,	Wick—23.
Merkle,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Cruser,	Messrs. Kirkpatrick,
Evans,	Little,
Fithian,	Nevius,
Hancock,	Schenck,
Hillard,	Townsend,
Hornblower,	Vail,
Howell,	Wurts, Speaker—14.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign said bill, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The re-engrossed bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the Eagle Fire Company of Mill-Hill, Burlington county,"

Was read as amended;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Cruser,
Black,	Davis,
Chetwood,	Earl,

Messrs. Evans,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—35.

NAY.

Mr. Ellis.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendments made thereto in Council, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act in revival of an act respecting forfeited estates,"

Was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Howell,
Hurley,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Merkle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Townsend,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Wells,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—28.

NAYS.

Messrs. Fithian,
Foster,

Messrs. Hancock,
Hornblower,
Jackson,
Little,
Mickle,
Swing,
Vail,
Vliet,
Warren—11.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council that the House have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act respecting the clerks of the courts of Common Pleas in this state,"

Was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Evans,
Farlee,
Foster,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick—32.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chetwood,
Fithian,
Hancock,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Ward,
Wurts, Speaker—7.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act relative to the Map of New Jersey,"

Having been read a third time, and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Kirkpatrick,
Chetwood,	Little,
Cruser,	Merkle,
Earl,	Nevius,
Ellis,	Potts,
Farlee,	Schenck,
Hillard,	Summers,
Hinchman,	Swing,
Hopper,	Vail,
Hornblower,	Vliet,
Howell,	Ward,
Hurley,	Warren,
Jeffers,	Wells—26.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Mickle,
Davis,	Townsend,
Evans,	Van Winkle,
Fithian,	West,
Foster,	Wick,
Hancock,	Wurts, Speaker—13.
Jackson,	

Ordered, That the Speaker sign said bill, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed joint resolution relative to a remuneration for loss of private property by the late fire at the state-prison,

Was read a third time, and compared, and the same agreed to.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to divorce Catharine Beavers from her husband Frederick Beavers,"

Was read a third time;

And on the question shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Earl,	Messrs. Merkle,
Ellis,	Mickle,
Evans,	Summers,
Farlee,	Vail,
Foster,	Vliet,
Hinchman,	Warren,
Hopper,	West,
Hurley,	Wick—17.
Jeffers,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Fithian,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Jackson,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Swing,
Townsend,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Wurts, Speaker—21.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council, that the House of Assembly have disagreed to said bill.

The re-engrossed bill, entitled a supplement to the act entitled "An act for the instruction of indigent deaf and dumb persons, inhabitantsof this state,"

Was read as amended;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Farlee,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hinchman,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Jeffers,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Schenck,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Vliet,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—38.

NAY.

Mr. Evans.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to the

amendments made thereto in Council, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to provide for the erection of a new prison for this state,"

Was read a third time, and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Kirkpatrick,
Chetwood,	Little,
Cruser,	Merkle,
Ellis,	Mickle,
Farlee,	Nevius,
Hancock,	Potts,
Hillard,	Schenck,
Hinchman,	Summers,
Hornblower,	Vail,
Howell,	Wells,
Jackson,	Wurts, Speaker—22.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Swing,
Davis,	Townsend,
Earl,	Vliet,
Evans,	Ward,
Fithian,	Warren,
Foster,	West,
Hopper	Wick—15.
Hurley,	

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council of the passing of said bill, and request their assent to the same.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to alter the corporate name of the first congregational church located at Chester, in Morris county,"

Was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign said bill, and that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate the Camden and Salem Rail Road and Transportation Company,"

Was taken up;

And a motion to postpone said bill prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Chetwood,	Messrs. Nevius,
Cruser,	Schenck,
Davis,	Swing,
Evans,	Townsend,
Fithian,	Vliet,
Foster,	Van Winkle,
Hornblower,	Ward,
Howell,	Wells,
Kirkpatrick,	Wurts, Speaker—19.
Little,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Hurley,
Black,	Jackson,
Earl,	Jeffers,
Ellis,	Mickle,
Farlee,	Potts,
Hancock.	Summers.
Hillard,	Vail,
Hinchman,	West,
Hopper,	Wick—18.

Mr. Hancock, offered the following resolution:

WHEREAS, the late Gabriel Hoff, esq., member of the General Assembly of this state, died on the 31st of January, 1830.—THEREFORE,

Resolved, That the wages of the said Gabriel Hoff, (for 26 days) up to the day of his death, be reckoned in the incidental bill, and that the treasurer of this state, be authorized to pay the same to the widow of the late Gabriel Hoff, or his order;

Which resolution was read and agreed to.

The supplement to the act making provision for carying into effect the act for the punishment of crimes,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House that Council had disagreed to the joint resolution from the House of Assembly, authorizing a revision of the public statutes of this state.

The message also informed, that Council will be ready to proceed in the trial of Henry Miller, one of the justices of the peace of the county of Hunterdon, on the articles of impeachment exhibited against him by the General Assembly, on Wednesday the 12th day of May next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, in the Council Chamber.

The supplement to the act, entitled "An act to establish Common Schools," passed February 24th, 1829.

Was taken up:

Mr. Kirkpatrick, offered as an amendment to said bill, that the people of each township should be authorized, at their annual town meetings, to raise an equal or greater amount of money than was apportioned to them, for the support of common schools, to be appropriated to the like purpose; and in case they refused so to do, they should be debarred from receiving any part of the moneys appropriated for the use of common schools;

Which amendment was lost by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Chetwood,	Messrs.	Hornblower,
	Cruser,		Kirkpatrick,
	Evans,		Nevius,
	Hillard,		Wurts, Speaker—9.
	Hopper,		

NAYS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Little,
	Black,		Merkle,
	Davis,		Mickle,
	Earl,		Potts,
	Ellis,		Schenck,
	Farlee,		Summers,
	Fithian,		Swing,
	Foster,		Townsend,
	Hancock,		Vail,
	Hinchman,		Van Winkle,
	Howell,		Ward,
	Hurley,		Warren,
	Jackson,		West,
	Jeffers,		Wick—28.

When the House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

The rule being dispensed with,

The engrossed bill entitled a supplement to the act, entitled "An act making provision for carrying into effect the act for the punishment of crimes," passed 23d February, 1829,

Was read a third time, and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Little,
Black,	Merkle,
Chetwood,	Mickle,
Cruser,	Nevius.
Davis,	Schenck,
Earl,	Swing,
Ellis,	Vail,
Evans,	Vliet,
Farlee,	Van Winkle,
Hopper,	Ward,
Hornblower,	Warren,
Howell,	Wells,
Hurley,	West,
Jackson,	Wick,
Kirkpatrick,	Wurts, Speaker—31.
Kline,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Fithian,	Messrs. Potts,
Foster,	Summers,
Hancock,	Townsend—7.
Hillard,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The Council came into the Assembly Room, and both Houses went into joint-meeting; after the joint-meeting had progressed in their appointments, they adjourned until 9 o'clock, A. M. to-morrow morning;

When the House came to order, and

The supplement to the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Middletown Point,

Was taken up, read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, February 27, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

The Speaker presented a communication from William Pennington, relative to the concerns of the New-Jersey Protection and Lombard Bank;

Read, and agreed to, and ordered to be sent to Council.

The engrossed bill, entitled a supplement to the act entitled "An act to incorporate the Farmers and Merchants Bank of Middletown Point,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Kline,
Black,	Little,
Chetwood,	Merkle,
Cruser,	Mickle,
Earl,	Potts,
Ellis,	Schenck,
Evans,	Swing,
Fithian,	Townsend,
Foster,	Vail,
Hornblower,	Van Winkle,
Howell,	West,
Hurley,	Wick,
Jackson,	Wurts, Speaker—27.
Kirkpatrick,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Hancock,	Messrs. Ward—3.
Nevius,	

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

That part of the message from Council, relating to Henry Miller's impeachment, was taken up for consideration; when, on motion, it was

Ordered, That managers be appointed to conduct said impeachment;

Whereupon, Messrs. Hornblower, Kirkpatrick, Schenck, and Potts, were accordingly appointed.

Ordered, That Council be informed of the appointment of said managers.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Attorney General of the state of New-Jersey, be requested to assist the managers on the part of this House appointed to conduct the impeachment, ordered by the General As-

sembly, against Henry Miller, a justice of the peace of the county of Hunterdon, before the Council of this state;

Read, and agreed to.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, also presented the following resolution:

Resolved, That the treasurer of this state be authorized to pay out of any moneys in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the witnesses' fees, and other expenses, on the part of the state, incident to the prosecution and trial of the impeachment before Council, of Henry Miller, esq. a justice of the peace of the county of Hunterdon, and that the same be provided for in the incidental bill at the next session of the Legislature. *Provided*, That such witnesses shall not be allowed more than one dollar per day for their attendance; which fees shall be paid by the treasurer on the certificate of the managers, or any one or more of them.

Ordered to lie on the table.

The resolution, requesting the Attorney General to assist the managers appointed by this House, to conduct the impeachment of Henry Miller, esq.,

Was ordered to be reconsidered;

When the same was, with leave, withdrawn.

The bill entitled a supplement to the act, entitled "An act to establish Common Schools," passed 24th February, 1829,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The resolution, providing for the payment of the witnesses' fees, &c. in the impeachment of Henry Miller,

Was taken up and agreed to.

The Tax Bill,

Was taken up, read a second time, and a motion to fill blank in the second section, third line, with $2599.84, was lost by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Evans,	Messrs.	Merkle,
	Fithian,		Potts,
	Foster,		Summers,
	Hillard,		Swing,
	Hurley,		Townsend,
	Kirkpatrick,		Wick—13.
	Little,		

NAYS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Jackson,
	Black,		Kline,
	Cruser,		Mickle,
	Davis,		Nevius,
	Earl,		Vail,
	Hancock,		Van Winkle,
	Hopper,		Warren,
	Hornblower,		West,
	Howell,		Wurts, Speaker—18.

The yeas and nays were then called on agreeing to the second section, and the same agreed to as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Jackson,
Black,	Kline,
Cruser,	Mickle,
Davis,	Nevius,
Earl,	Potts,
Hancock,	Vail,
Hillard,	Van Winkle,
Hopper,	Warren,
Hornblower,	West,
Howell,	Wurts, Speaker—20.

NAYS.

Messrs. Evans,	Messrs. Merkle,
Fithian,	Summers,
Foster,	Swing,
Hurley,	Townsend,
Kirkpatrick,	Wick—11.
Little,	

After which, the bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to divorce Mary Smith from her husband Peter T. Smith," without amendment.

Also, the re-engrossed bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act relating to Hawkers, Pedlars, and Petty Chapmen, and to repeal the former acts on that subject." And also,

That Council have passed the joint resolution from the House of Assembly relative to granting compensation to certain persons for losses sustained by the late fire at the state prison.

The bill relative to vesting the estate of Elizabeth Stockton, in the hands of a trustee,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill, a supplement to the act for the punishment of crimes, &c.

Was read a second time, when, on motion, the same was ordered to be dismissed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Evans,
Cruser,	Foster,

Messrs. Hillard,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Jackson,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Merkle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Swing,
Vail,
Van Winkle,
Wurts, Speaker—18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,
Davis,
Earl,
Hancock,
Hurley,
Mickle,
Summers,
Townsend,
Ward,
Warren,
West,
Wick—12.

The engrossed bill, "A supplement to the act establishing Common Schools," passed February 24th, 1829,
Was read a third time, and compared;
And on the question, shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Cruser,
Earl,
Evans,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—29.

NAYS.

Messrs. Davis,
Summers,
Warren—3.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign said bill, and that the same be sent to Council for concurrence.

The bill to alter the time of electing representatives to the next Congress of the United States,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill relative to a contract made by Cyrus Munn, in his life time, for the sale of a certain lot in Newark,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The joint resolution for a revision of the Militia System of this state,

Was read a second time, and while under consideration, the

House adjourned to Monday morning, next, 10 o'clock, A. M.

MONDAY, March 1, 1830.

Ten o'clock the House met.

Ordered, That the vote agreeing to the resolution for the payment of witnesses' fees, and other expenses, on the impeachment of Henry Miller, esq. be reconsidered.

Whereupon,

Mr. Hornblower, offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That the treasurer of this state be, and he is hereby authorized to pay out of any moneys in the treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the compensation of the members and clerk of Council, while sitting as a court of impeachment; the managers appointed by this House; the fees of the witnesses, on the part of the state, and the other expenses incident to the trial of the impeachment before Council of Henry Miller, esq. a justice of the peace of the county of Hunterdon; that the witnesses aforesaid, be allowed at the rate ef one dollar a day for their attendance, and that they be paid on the certificate of one or more of the managers; and that all the other incidental expenses be taxed by the Governor or by the Vice President of Council, and be paid on the warrant of the Governor;

Which was read, and agreed to.

The managers appointed on the part of this House, to conduct the impeachment against Henry Miller, esq. before Council, presented, with leave, additional articles of impeachment against said Miller, as follows:

ARTICLE IV.*

That the said Henry Miller did, on or about the first day of January, one thousand eight hundred and twenty-seven, put, or cause to be put, into the hands of Joseph Smith, esquire, a justice of the peace of the county of Morris, and did direct, and order the said justice Smith, or cause him to be directed and ordered to prosecute and collect in the name of one Asa Reding or Redding, as

* This and the fifth article, were printed through mistake with the first, second and third articles.

plaintiff, a certain note of hand given by one William Gulick to one Isaac W. Martin; which note the said Isaac W. Martin had theretofore placed in the hands of said Henry Miller, or of his clerk, to be prosecuted and collected before him, the said H. Miller, for the use and benefit of him the said Isaac W. Martin. And the said Henry Miller did prosecute, or cause to be prosecuted the said note against the said William Gulick, before the said Joseph Smith, esq., without the knowledge, or consent of the said Isaac W. Martin, or of the said Asa Reding or Redding, and without any assignment, endorsement, or transfer, whatsoever, of any right or interest thereof, or therein, by the said Isaac W. Martin to the said Henry Miller, or to the said Asa Reding or Redding, or either of them. And the said Henry Miller did order and direct, or cause to be ordered and directed, the said note to be prosecuted and collected before the said Joseph Smith, esquire, against the said William Gulick, for his own use and benefit.

ARTICLE V.

That the docket, or official record of the said Henry Miller, justice, has not been kept and made by him according to law:—First,

In this, that it does not contain entries or records of all suits instituted and prosecuted before him.

It does not contain any entry or record of a suit instituted and prosecuted before him, in the name of one John Bergen or Bergon against one Henry Haws.

It does not contain any entry or record of a suit instituted and prosecuted before him, in the name of said John Bergen or Bergon, against one Christopher Philhower.

Second, in this, That erasures and alterations of the names of parties, plaintiff and defendant in suits entered and recorded in said docket, have been made by said Henry Miller.

The name of John Bergen, Plaintiff in a suit entered and recorded in said docket as plaintiff, against Christopher Philhower and Christopher Philhower, junior, defendants, has been altered by said justice, so as to read John Burgon plaintiff, instead of John Bergen.

Ordered, That the managers be instructed to present the additional articles of impeachment, against Henry Miller, to Council.

Mr. Hillard, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the sheriff's of the different counties in this state, be directed to transmit to the office of the secretary of state, a list of all persons imprisoned for debts under twenty dollars, together with the amount of the debt and costs of each person so imprisoned from the first day of January, 1830, to the first Tuesday of November next;

Which was read and agreed to.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act relative to the election of representatives to the next Congress of the United States."

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Kirkpatrick,
Black,	Kline,
Cruser,	Little,
Earl,	Merkle,
Ellis,	Nevius,
Evans,	Potts,
Fithian,	Swing,
Foster,	Vail,
Hillard,	Warren,
Hopper,	Wells,
Hornblower,	West,
Hurley,	Wick,
Jackson,	Wurts, Speaker—26.

NAYS.

Messrs. Davis,	Townsend,
Hancock,	Van Winkle,
Summers,	Ward—6.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

Mr. Mickle, from committee, reported a bill to defray incidental charges;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, said bill was read a second time, gone through with by item, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Evans, with leave, presented a bill to revive and extend the act relative to the Orange and Sussex Canal Company;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, said bill was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act concerning a contract for the sale of a lot of land at Newark, in the county of Essex, made by Cyrus Munn, in his lifetime,"

Was read a third time, and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Evans,
Black,	Fithian,
Chetwood,	Foster,
Cruser,	Hornblower,
Earl,	Howell,
Ellis,	Hurley,

Messrs. Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
West,
Wurts, Speaker—27.

NAYS.

Messrs. Hopper,
Jackson,
Wick—3

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The vote ordering the tax bill a third reading, was ordered to be re-considered;

When said bill was taken up, amended, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "A supplement to the act to incorporate the Farmers' and Merchants' Bank of Middletown-Point," passed the third day of February, 1830;"

Also, the joint resolution, relative to the survey of certain bays and rivers in this state, without amendment;

Also, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act to establish common schools," passed February 24th, 1829; with an amendment;

And also, the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act relative to the Map of New Jersey;" with an amendment, to which amendment the assent of the House of Assembly is requested;

Which amendments were severally read and agreed to, and said bills ordered to be re-engrossed.

Ordered, That 400 copies of the school law be printed for the use of the House.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to vest the real and personal estate of Elizabeth Stockton, in a trustee, to hold the same to and for her separate use,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The joint resolution relative to a revision of the militia system of this state,

Was read a second time, and disagreed to.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the joint resolution, from the

House of Assembly, relative to the printing of the laws and law reports, with an amendment, to which amendment, they request the assent of the House of Assembly;

Which amendment was read, and the same disagreed to by the House.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council, that the House of Assembly have disagreed to said amendment.

The joint preamble and resolutions, offered by Mr. Potts, relative to domestic manufactures,

Were read a second time;

When a motion to strike out the preamble,

Was lost by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Chetwood,	Messrs. Nevius,
Fithian,	Swing,
Foster,	Townsend,
Hancock,	Vail,
Hornblower,	Van Winkle—11.
Little,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Kline,
Cruser,	Merkle,
Ellis,	Mickle,
Evans,	Potts,
Hillard,	Summers,
Hopper,	Warren,
Howell,	Wells,
Hurley,	West,
Jackson,	Wick,
Kirkpatrick,	Wurts, Speaker—20.

A motion was then made, to strike out that part of the preamble which alluded to the loss of the West India Trade, during the late administration;

And was lost by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Little,
Chetwood,	Nevius,
Earl,	Swing,
Evans,	Townsend,
Fithian,	Vail,
Foster,	Van Winkle,
Hornblower,	Ward—14.

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Kline,
Cruser,	Merkle,
Ellis,	Mickle,
Hancock,	Potts,
Hillard,	Summers,
Hopper,	Wells,
Howell,	West,
Hurley,	Wick,
Jackson,	Wurts, Speaker—19.
Kirkpatrick,	

And while the same was still under consideration, the House adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

Three o'clock the House met.

Mr. Potts' resolutions, relative to the agricultural and manufacturing interests of our state,

Were again taken up, and read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Chetwood, offered the following preamble and resolution:

WHEREAS, the Government House, Lot, and Premises, are rapidly falling into decay—THEREFORE,

Resolved, That Charles Parker be appointed to superintend and cause to be repaired the Government House, Lot and Premises, particularly such parts as will prevent the further and growing damages to the same, and that the said Charles Parker be entitled to receive the amount of his expenses, materials, and labor, from the treasurer of this state, not exceeding in the whole, three hundred dollars, his account being first audited and stated by the Governor;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

The rule being dispensed with, the engrossed bill entitled "An act to defray incidental charges,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Davis,
Black,	Earl,
Chetwood,	Evans,
Cruser,	Fithian,

Messrs. Foster,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Merkle,
Messrs. Mickle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wurts, Speaker—30.

NAYS.

Messrs. Kline,
Van Winkle,
Wick—3.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act relative to the Map of New Jersey,"

Was read as amended;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Earl,
Hillard,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Hurley,
Messrs. Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Merkle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Vail,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells—18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,
Davis,
Evans,
Fithian,
Foster,
Jackson,
Messrs. Mickle,
Swing,
Townsend,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—12.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have disagreed to the amendment made to said bill in Council.

The resolution offered by Mr. Chetwood, relative to repairing the government house,

Was taken up, and disagreed to by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Nevius,
Black,	Potts,
Chetwood,	Swing,
Cruser,	Ward,
Fithian,	Wells,
Foster,	West,
Kline,	Wurts, Speaker—15.
Little,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Davis,	Messrs. Kirkpatrick,
Earl,	Merkle,
Evans,	Mickle,
Hancock,	Townsend,
Hopper,	Vail,
Hornblower,	Warren,
Hurley,	Wick—15.
Jackson,	

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to appoint a commissioner to settle up the affairs of Gabriel Hoff, late sheriff of the county of Hunterdon, deceased;"

Was read a second time, and the rule being dispensed with, the same

Was read a third time;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,	Messrs. Jackson,
Black,	Little,
Chetwood,	Mickle,
Cruser,	Potts,
Davis,	Summers,
Evans,	Swing,
Fithian,	Townsend,
Foster,	Vail,
Hancock,	Van Winkle,
Hillard,	Warren,
Hopper,	Wells,
Hornblower,	West,
Howell,	Wurts, Speaker—27.
Hurley,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Wick, Messrs. Kirkpatrick—2.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council, that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

Mr. Kirkpatrick offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Council and General Assembly, That if at any time hereafter, the governor of this state shall see proper to make the government house his place of residence, that then, and in that case, the treasurer of this state be authorized to make such repairs in the same as, under the direction of the governor, he shall see fit, and the expense of such repairs be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated;

Read, and the rule being dispensed with, was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, also, offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Council and General Assembly, That Zachariah Rossell be, and he is hereby authorized to procure and set up, one or more grates or stoves, in the Supreme Court Room, as to him may appear proper; and that the expense thereof, be paid out of any moneys in the treasury not otherwise appropriated;

Read, and ordered a second reading.

The rule being dispensed with, the re-engrossed bill, entitled "A supplement to the act establishing Common Schools," passed 24th February, 1829,

Was read a third time, and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Earl,
Evans,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius,
Potts,
Summers,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Van Winkle,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—32.

NAY.

Mr. Davis.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendments made thereto in Council, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The rule being dispensed with, the engrossed bill, entitled "An act to revive and extend the act entitled an act to incorporate the Orange and Sussex Canal Company," passed 1823,

Was read a third time, and the same ordered to be postponed to the next session of the legislature.

The rule being dispensed with, the engrossed joint resolution relative to repairing the Government House,

Was read a third time and compared,

And agreed to by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Black,	Messrs.	Kline,
	Chetwood,		Merkle,
	Cruser,		Potts,
	Earl,		Summers,
	Fithian,		Swing,
	Foster,		Vail,
	Hillard,		Van Winkle,
	Hopper		Ward,
	Howell,		Wells,
	Hurley,		West,
	Kirkpatrick,		Wurts, Speaker—22.

NAYS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Little,
	Davis,		Townsend,
	Evans,		Warren,
	Hornblower,		Wick—8.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The rule being dispensed with, the engrossed resolutions, relative to domestic manufactures, offered by Mr. Potts,

Was read a third time and compared,

And the yeas and nays being required, the same was disagreed to as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Davis,	Messrs.	Evans,
	Ellis,		Hancock,

Messrs. Hillard,
Hopper,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Kline,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Potts,
Summers,
Wells,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—17.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Earl,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Kirkpatrick,
Little,
Nevius,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren—17.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had disagreed to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to amend the act entitled an act to prevent horse racing;" and had passed the bill, entitled "An act to prevent justice's of the peace and other officers, from acting in certain cases;"

To which they request the assent of Council.

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading, and the rule being dispensed with, said bill

Was read second and third times;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Black,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Earl,
Ellis,
Evans,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hancock,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Howell,
Jackson,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Nevius.
Potts,
Swing,
Townsend,
Vail,
Van Winkle,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wurts, Speaker—30.

NAY.

Mr. Wick.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to raise the sum of $40,000, for the year 1830,"

Was read a third time, and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Black,	Messrs.	Kirkpatrick,
	Chetwood,		Little,
	Cruser,		Nevius,
	Evans,		Potts,
	Fithian,		Summers,
	Foster,		Swing,
	Hancock,		Townsend,
	Hillard,		Vail,
	Hopper,		Van Winkle,
	Hornblower,		Ward,
	Howell,		Wick,
	Jackson.		Wurts, Speaker—24.

NAYS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Hurley,
	Davis,		Merkle,
	Earl,		Mickle,
	Ellis,		West—8.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

The resolution offered by Mr. Hornblower, relative to instructing the representatives in Congress from this state, in relation to the Tariff,

Was taken up, and a motion to postpone the further consideration of the same, prevailed, by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Bennett,	Messrs.	Evans,
	Cruser,		Howell,
	Davis,		Hurley,
	Earl,		Kirkpatrick,
	Ellis,		Kline,

Messrs. Merkle,
Mickle,
Summers,
Townsend,
Messrs. Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick—18.

NAYS.

Messrs. Chetwood,
Fithian,
Foster,
Hornblower,
Jackson,
Little,
Messrs. Nevius,
Swing,
Vail,
Ward,
Wurts, Speaker—11.

The bill relative to the Poor,

Was taken up, read a second time, and postponed to the next session of the Legislature.

The following bills, on a second reading, were severally called up, and postponed to the next session of the Legislature, viz:

The bill to limit the number of judges of the Pleas in the several counties.

The bill for a draw bridge over South River.

The bill to regulate the fisheries in Newark Bay, &c.

The bill to improve the navigation, &c. of the Passaic and Hackensack rivers.

The bill relative to Surrogates.

The bill relative to Prosecutors of the Pleas.

The supplement to the tax law,

Was called up and dismissed.

The bill to incorporate the Paterson Winans Rail Road Carriage Manufacturing Company;

The supplement to the act relative to Wills, &c.;

The further supplement to the act for preservation of clams and oysters;

The bill to divide the township of Aquackanonk;

The bill to repeal the act incorporating the Belvidere Bank;

Called up and dismissed.

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, it will adjourn to seven o'clock this evening.

House adjourned to 7 o'clock.

Seven o'clock the House met.

The joint resolution relative to placing grates or stoves in the Supreme Court Room,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be postponed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, in-

formed the House, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to vest the real and personal estate of Elizabeth Stockton in a trustee, to hold the same to and for her separate use," without amendment." Also,

A joint resolution from the House of Assembly, relating to repairs of the government house; without amendment.

And also, that Council have disagreed to the bill from the House of Assemb,y, entitled "An act to authorize justices of the peace to take acknowledgments, &c."

And also, that Council adhere to their amendment to the joint resolution from the House of Assembly, relative to printing the laws and law reports, and have appointed Messrs. Condict and Howell, a committee of conference on their part, to meet a similar committee appointed by the House of Assembly, relative to the disagreement of the two Houses respecting said amendment.

Ordered, That a committee of conference be appointed, on the part of the House, to meet a similar committee appointed by Council, relative to the disagreement of the two Houses, respecting the joint resolution relating to the printing of the laws and law reports;

Whereupon, Messrs. Chetwood, Potts, and Kline were appointed.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council of the same.

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, they will adjouru to 9 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The House adjourned to 9 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, March 2, 1830.

Nine o'clock the House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "A supplement to to the act entitled an act making provision for the punishment of crimes," passed 23d February, 1829, with sundry amendments, to which amendments they request the assent of the House of Assembly;

Which amendments were read and agreed to, and said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The rule being dispensed with, the re-engrossed bill, entitled "A supplement to an act entitled an act to make provision for carrying into effect, the act for the punishment of crimes," passed February 23, 1829,

Was read as amended;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Bennett,
Chetwood,
Cruser,
Davis,
Foster,
Hopper,
Hornblower,
Hurley,
Jackson,
Kirkpatrick,
Kline,
Little,
Merkle,
Mickle,
Potts,
Summers,
Vail,
Ward,
Warren,
Wells,
West,
Wick,
Wurts, Speaker—23.

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,
Earl,
Hancock—3.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that it be sent to Council for concurrence.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had agreed to the amendments to the joint resolution, relative to the printing of the laws and law reports, reported by the joint committee of conference of both Houses;

Whereupon, said amendments were read and agreed to by the House, and said resolution ordered to be re-engrossed.

The rule being dispensed with, said engrossed joint resolution,

Was read as amended, and the same agreed to.

Ordered, That the Speaker sign the same, and that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendments to said resolution, reported and recommended by the joint committee of conference, and have caused said resolution to be re-engrossed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to defray incidental charges," without amendment;

And "An act relative to the election of representatives to the next Congress of the United States; without amendment.

And also, that Council are now ready to go into a court of impeachment, for the trial of Henry Miller, a justice of the peace of the county of Hunterdon, impeached before them by the General Assembly.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council, that the managers appointed by the General Assembly to conduct the impeachment of Henry Miller, before them, will attend, on the arraignment of said Miller, at the bar of Council, as a high court of impeachment.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House, that Council would be ready to proceed in the

trial of Henry Miller, a justice of the peace, of the county of Hunterdon, impeached before them, by the General Assembly, on Wednesday, the 12th day of May next, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, in the Council Chamber.

Mr. Kirkpatrick, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That during the trial of the impeachment, now pending before the Legislative Council, this House will attend the said trial by their managers, and the said managers are authorized to file such replication, and join issue in such manner and form as to them may seem meet and proper;

Read, and agreed to.

Mr. Hornblower, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the prompt, dignified, and impartial manner in which the Speaker of this House has conducted its business, and presided over its deliberations, entitles him to the unaffected esteem and confidence of its members; and he is therefore respectfully requested to accept the thanks of the House for his services, with the assurance that we collectively and individually entertain for him the highest respect, and the best wishes for his health and happiness;

Which was read and agreed to unanimously.

Whereupon the Speaker rose, and addressed the House as follows:

GENTLEMEN,

I rise to tender you my sincere and respectful acknowledgments for this kind, and, I fear, unmerited expression of your confidence and approbation. Your favourable regard, assigned me a post at the commencement of our session, to which, I am well aware, I had no claim, either on the score of parliamentary experience, or capacity in other respects. I accepted the station with doubt and apprehension, arising from an honest distrust of my ability to discharge its duties, either with credit to myself, or usefulness to the House.

This public and flattering manifestation, therefore, of your satisfaction with the manner in which the duties of the chair have been performed, coming as it does, from so many gentlemen my seniors and superiors in every respect, is peculiarly gratifying, and will be long and gratefully remembered.

The resolution which you have just passed, moreover assures me, that the many errors which, I am conscious, I have committed in the course of our session, have no longer a place in your recollection. You will do me but justice in believing, that few, or many, they have proceeded from defect of judgment, or inexperience alone, and not from design. More, many more errors, I must have fallen into, but for the benefit of your advice at different times, your kind support on all occasions, your uniformly respectful deportment to the chair, and your constant and honourable attention to order and business. I beg you will accept my thanks for the aid you have thus rendered to the chair, in the discharge of its duties. And if, in discharging those duties, the rights and privileges of any gentleman have been in any way forgotten or infringed, or his feelings wounded, I pray him to believe that the intention to do so was wanting.

Gentlemen—The People of New-Jersey, with generous confidence, committed to us a trust of great moment and responsibility. To be a member of this Assembly, is a high and distinguished privilege. The honour of having presided over its deliberations, is duly appreciated by him who addresses you. It may not become us now, to speak of the manner in which we have executed the high trust committed to us. To the *People* we are responsible, and sure I am, we are all willing to abide by their judgment. Purity of intention, although accompanied with occasional errors in judgment, will never shrink from the scrutiny of a generous and intelligent public. If our acts will not bear this test, they do not deserve the approbation of the country.

Matters of the first importance to the state, have been maturely considered, and, I hope, wisely determined. In reviewing the transactions of the session, we derive honourable gratification from the reflection, that conflicting opinions as to the best means of promoting the public welfare and happiness, have not disturbed the harmony of our mutual intercourse and relations. The chair can bear testimony, that the public good has appeared to be the moving purpose and primary object of all. How far the end in view has been attained, time alone can determine.

Much has been done, and much, for want of time, left for the consideration of our successors. We fondly hope and believe, that the interests and convenience, not only of our own state, but of our common country also, will be essentially promoted by some of the acts of this Legislature.

Our labours are now closed, and we are about to separate, and leave the Hall of Legislation, for our respective homes. It is not likely that we shall all meet again upon this theatre. But whether we do or not, whether in public or in private life, we shall still be actuated by the same ardent desire to promote the welfare and happiness of New-Jersey.

I wish you, individually, health and prosperity, and a safe return to the scenes of domestic enjoyment.

Ordered, That the business of the session be closed with prayer.

Whereupon, the Rev. Mr. Hancock, of Morris, closed the sitting with an address to the Throne of Grace.

After which, the House adjourned *sine die*.

VOTES

AND

PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

FIFTY-FIFTH

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

OF THE

STATE OF NEW-JERSEY,

AT A SESSION BEGUN AT TRENTON, ON THE TWENTY-SIXTH DAY OF OCTOBER, ONE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND THIRTY.

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LIST OF MEMBERS

OF THE

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

Bergen,— *The Honorable*	CHARLES BOARD.
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Sussex,	DAVID RYERSON.
Warren,	JONATHAN ROBBINS.
Hunterdon,	THOMAS CAPNER.
Middlesex,	SAMUEL EDGAR.
Somerset,	JAMES S. GREEN.
Monmouth,	SAMUEL G. WRIGHT.
Burlington,	WILLIAM N. SHINN.
Gloucester,	JOHN W. MICKLE.
Salem,	JAMES NEWELL.
Cumberland,	ELIAS P. SEELY.
Cape May,	ISRAEL TOWNSEND.

LIST OF MEMBERS

OF THE

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

BERGEN.

Peter I. Terhune, Samuel R. Demarest, and John Ward.

ESSEX.

Cornelius G. Van Riper, John J. Baldwin, Ira F. Randolph, Moses Smith, and Stephen J. Meeker.

MORRIS.

William Monro, John Hancock, Joseph Jackson, and Charles Hillard

SUSSEX.

Simeon McCoy, John Hull, and Peter Merkel.

WARREN.

Samuel Wilson, Caleb H. Valentine, and Richard Shackelton.

HUNTERDON.

Alexander Wurts, Edward S. McIlvaine, Enoch Clifford, John Barton, and William Marshall.

MIDDLESEX.

John T. McDowell, Lewis S. Randolph, Charles G. McChesney, and Abraham Cruser.

SOMERSET.

Jacob Kline, Ferdinand S. Schenck, and William Cruser.

MONMOUTH.

Daniel H. Ellis, James West, Augustus W. Bennet, Ivins W. Davis.

BURLINGTON

Charles Stokes, George Deacon, Samuel Black, Richard Campion, and Benjamin H. Lippincott.

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Japhet Ireland, Jacob Howey, Charles Reeves, and Robert L. Armstrong.

SALEM.

Zacheus Ray, Joseph C. Nelson, and John Summerill.

CUMBERLAND.

Jeremiah Stratton, William D. Barrett, and William B. Ewing

CAPE MAY.

Jeremiah Leaming

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FIFTY-FIFTH

GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

TRENTON, October 26, 1830.

This being the time and place appointed by law for the annual meeting of the General Assembly of this State, the following members elect, viz. Peter I. Terhune, Samuel R. Demarest, and John Ward, of Bergen; Ira F. Randolph, Moses Smith, John J. Baldwin, Cornelius G. Van Riper, and Stephen J. Meeker, of Essex; William Monro, Charles Hillard, John Hancock, and Joseph Jackson, of Morris; Peter Merkel, Simeon McCoy, and John Hull, of Sussex; Samuel Wilson, Richard Shackelton, and Caleb H. Valentine, of Warren; John Barton, Enoch Clifford, Edward S. McIlvaine, Alexander Wurts, and William Marshall, of Hunterdon; Jacob Kline, Ferdinand S. Schenck, and William Cruser, of Somerset; Abraham Cruser, John T. McDowell, Lewis S. Randolph, and Charles G. McChesney, of Middlesex; Daniel H. Ellis, and Augustus W. Bennet, of Monmouth; Samuel Black, Richard Campion, Charles Stokes, George Deacon, and Benjamin H. Lippincott, of Burlington; Robert L. Armstrong, Jacob Howey, Charles Reeves, and Japhet Ireland, of Gloucester; John Summerill, Jr., Joseph C. Nelson, and Zacheus Ray, of Salem; William B. Ewing, William D. Barrett, and Jeremiah Stratton, of Cumberland; and Jeremiah Leaming, of Cape May, appeared in the House, and severally produced their certificates of election, which being read and approved, William Monro, Esq. of Morris, was appointed, agreeably to the Constitution, to qualify Alexander Wurts, Esq. of Hunterdon, who, being duly sworn, took his seat, and the remaining members elect being qualified by the said Alexander Wurts, Esq. took their seats in the House.

The members then proceeded to the choice of a Speaker, when Alexander Wurts, Esq. of Hunterdon, was unanimously chosen, and took the Chair accordingly.

The House proceeded to choose a Clerk, when Borden M. Voorhees was unanimously chosen, was qualified, and took his seat at the table.

On motion of Mr. Jackson, of Morris, the House was opened with prayer, which duty was performed by the Rev. Mr. Hancock, of Morris.

The House then proceeded to the appointment of a door-keeper, when Samuel B. Scattergood was appointed, without opposition.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have this day met, formed a quorum, chosen Alexander Wurts, Esq. speaker, and Borden M. Voorhees, clerk, and have proceeded to business.

Ordered, That Messrs. Ewing, Kline, and McDowell be a committee to report rules for the government of the House.

Ordered, That the speaker, at his leisure, appoint the usual Standing Committees of the House.

Ordered, That Messrs. Ellis, Black, and A. Cruser, be a committee to report the unfinished business of the last session.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had this day met, and formed a quorum, chosen Edward Condict, Esq. of Morris, Vice President, and appointed James D. Westcott, Secretary, and had proceeded to business.

Mr. Jackson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inform the Governor that the House of Assembly have met and organized, and are ready to receive any communications he may please to make to the Assembly;

Which resolution was read and agreed to, and Messrs. Jackson, Ray, and Armstrong appointed.

House adjourned to Wednesday, 27th, ten o'clock, A. M.

WEDNESDAY, October 27, 1830

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

Mr. Ewing, from committee on that subject, reported nineteen items of rules and regulations for the government of the House, during the present session;

Which were read and agreed to, and 100 copies of the same ordered to be printed.

Mr. Meeker presented a petition from Richard Varrick, John G. Coster, Anthony Dey, and Joseph W. Scott, for a law to authorise the construction of a Rail-road from the Hudson to the Delaware river;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Meeker, Nelson and Barton.

Mr. Schenck presented a memorial from the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Schenck, Ewing, and A. Cruser.

Messrs. Black, Armstrong, and McIlvaine, severally presented abstracts of ratables from their respective counties;

Ordered to lie on the table.

Ordered, That Messrs. Jackson, Bennet, Black, Ray, and McIlvaine be a committee to settle the accounts of the Treasurer.

Ordered, That Messrs. Ewing, Schenck, Armstrong, McDowell and Deacon be a committee to settle the accounts of the State Prison.

Ordered, That Messrs. Hillard, A. Cruser and Valentine be a committee to prepare a support bill.

Ordered, That Messrs. Kline, Monro, and Stokes, be a committee to report an incidental bill.

Ordered, That Messrs. Clifford, W. Cruser, and Howey be a committee to bring in a tax bill.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform Council of the appointment of the two first named committees.

Ordered, That the Speaker appoint the committee on printing.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their Secretary, informed the House, that Council had appointed Messrs. Green and Townsend a committee, on their part, to wait on the Governor, with such committee as may be appointed by the House of Assembly, to inform him that a quorum of the two Houses is assembled, and ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make to them.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform Council that this House has appointed Messrs. Jackson, Ray, and Armstrong a committee, on their part, to wait on the Governor, in conjunction with the committee appointed by Council, to inform him of the organization of the two Houses, and their readiness to receive any communication he may be pleased to make to them.

Mr. Ewing offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Vice President of Council, and Speaker of the House of Assembly, be a committee to receive proposals for engrossing the bills ordered to be engrossed by either branch of the Legislature, during the present session;

Which was read and agreed to.

Mr. Smith presented a statement of the concerns of the Orange Bank

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock, P. M. House met.

Mr. Ivins Davis, a member elect from the county of Monmouth, appeared, produced his certificate, was qualified, and took his seat.

Mr. Jackson, from joint committee to wait on the Governor, and inform him of the organization of the two Houses, and their readiness to receive any communication he might be pleased to make,

Reported that a message from his Excellency will be communicated to the two Houses to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

Messrs. Stratton and Monro severally presented abstracts of ratables from their respective counties:

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Jackson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House will hold an adjourned session

Ordered to lie on the table

Mr. Smith presented a petition from Aaron Dodd and others, relative to certain lands in Hetfield Swamp, in the county of Essex.

Read and referred to Messrs. Smith, Terhune, and Hancock.

Mr. Ewing presented a petition from Sarah Souder, for a law to sell real estate.

Read and referred to Messrs. Ewing, Campion, and Summerill.

Ordered, That Messrs. Armstrong, Ward and Merkel be a committee, on the part of the House, to receive proposals for the current printing of the two Houses, the laws and law reports.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform Council of the appointment of said committee.

Mr. Hillard offered the following resolution:

Resolved, that the Clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly is ready to go into joint meeting, for the purpose of appointing a Governor, Secretary of State, and Clerks of the counties of Bergen, Sussex, Somerset, Monmouth, and Gloucester, and Judges and Justices, &c. in the several counties;

Which was read, and, having been amended, the same was agreed to.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had appointed, on their part, Messrs. Shinn and Seely a committee to settle the accounts of the Treasurer;

And Messrs. Wright and Capner a committee to settle the accounts of the State Prison:

Also, that Council had passed the joint resolution relative to engrossing the bills of both branches of the Legislature, during the present session, without amendment.

House adjourned to Thursday, 28th, 10 o'clock, A. M.

THURSDAY, October 28, 1830

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had appointed Messrs. Townsend and Board a committee on their part, to receive proposals for executing the current printing of the House, and laws and law reports.

Also, that Council would be ready to go into joint meeting, for the purpose of appointing a Governor, Secretary of State, and Clerks of counties, and such other civil and military officers as may be necessary, on Friday, the 29th inst. at ten o'clock in the forenoon, in the Assembly Room.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by sundry documents, and containing the following Message;

Which Message was read, and, with the documents, ordered to lie on the table.

GOVERNOR'S MESSAGE.

Gentlemen of the Legislative Council
and General Assembly:—

We have again met according to the provisions of our constitution to transact the public concerns of the state. Suffer me on this occasion, to present to you my friendly salutations; and to unite with you in sincere acknowledgment to the Great Disposer of human events, for the mercies which, as a community, we have experienced through the last year.

In the enjoyment of a healthful climate, the ravages of pestilence have been unknown to us; and disease has passed by us almost unfelt. Abundance has crowned the peaceful and honest labours of the husbandman.—The axe, the plough, and the loom have received protection and encouragement. All classes of citizens reposing under the security of equal laws and civil and religious liberty, have had reason to rejoice, that they live under a government where the rights of the poor man are alike regarded with those of the rich; where the aristocracy of wealth or office, if known or felt at all, is accidental and temporary; where posts of honour and profit are open and accessible to every man; where the elective franchise is unimpaired and the press unshackled.

As citizens of a sovereign state, forming an integral part of mighty confederacy which occupies so large a space in the history of nations, we may be permitted to indulge an honest pride, in contemplating the situation of our country.

The government is efficiently administered by men of our own choice.—We are at peace with all mankind. Our national banner floats unmolested over every sea. All nations accord to us their admiration and respect. Our public debt instead of increasing with our years, has become nominal, and will soon be extinguished. Our republican institutions with all their simplicity, founded on the intelligence and virtue of the people, have proved themselves worthy of every confidence; and stand, the wonder and dread of tyrants, the praise and delight of freedom's votaries, in every land. The nations of the old world are learning from us lessons in the science of government: and notwithstanding the edicts of royalty or the efforts of princes, the principles of genuine republicanism, of equal privileges, and equal burthens, will become the prevailing principles. Every convulsion, every civil revolu-

tion, instead of rivetting more closely, as heretofore, the manacles of oppression, extorts new concessions from the throne; weakens the arm of civil and ecclesiastical power, and adds strength to the claims of legitimate liberty.—And this will continue, until those claims shall be fully acknowledged, and the throne and the sceptre crumble into dust.

If we have within ourselves occasional strifes and difficulties, they are productive of benefit rather than injury. They originate in the watchful jealousy of freemen, which spurns at even the form of oppression. They are like the summer storms that sweep over the ocean, defecating it from impurities, and preserving its healthfulness and utility. They lead to the discussion and ascertainment of rights and powers and duties; maintain the spirit of the great national compact; teach us more fully the value of our institutions; and draw more closely the bonds of union.

For the blessings which surround us, we are indebted, under Providence, to the general diffusion of sound, practical knowledge. Where such knowledge pervades the body politic, it is impossible for a people to be otherwise than free.

The importance of education to all classes, is becoming daily more apparent. Legislatures are beginning to feel the magnitude of their responsibilities on this interesting subject, and to devise the necessary means of imparting knowledge to the rising generation who are soon to be the conservators of the country.

The common school system wherever it has been carried into execution and fairly tested, has uniformly commended itself to the favor of the people. In our state it is yet in its infancy. It has had to contend with opposition of various kinds; and in reducing it to practice, its best friends have occasionally felt themselves embarrassed. In some parts of the state, its benefits have been distinctly felt by all classes, and it has become deservedly popular.

As no reports can be made to the trustees of the school fund from the different counties until the ensuing spring, I am not able to present to you a view of the operations of the system throughout the state. In some of the counties, the money raised for the support of schools, has been at least equal to that furnished by the state. In some, it has exceeded that amount, and in others fallen short. Coming as you do from every part of the state, and acquainted with the views and feelings of the people in your different districts, you will be able to represent those views correctly, and suggest such amendments, if the plan be defective, as will better fit it for the great objects of its adoption. In any measures of this character, you may rely upon my cordial co-operation, individually and officially. We have all one common object—that the blessings of education should be enjoyed by every citizen. In this

the community is deeply interested; and in what has already been done, the pledge is given, that the Legislature will continue to exert its wisdom and patronage, until the work shall be fully accomplished.

The operation of the school fund has in all respects realized the anticipations of the trustees. The whole amount of the twenty thousand dollars, being the appropriation for the current year, has been drawn by the collectors of the different counties, and it appears by the report of the Treasurer to the trustees, that the nett gain, after deducting the appropriation, is one thousand three hundred and forty-six dollars and ninety-nine cents. It is thus proved by the experience of two successive years, that without some casualty, the fund will be able to sustain the annual demand made upon it. The amount of the fund at this time is two hundred and twenty-six thousand, two hundred and fifty-four dollars and ninety-two cents; all of which is believed by the Treasurer and Trustees, to be safely and profitably invested.

Within the past year, I have had occasion, in the discharge of my official duties, to visit the colleges of the state; and I take pleasure in saying, that both are in a prosperous condition. The venerable college of New-Jersey, the Alma mater of so many distinguished men in our country, though for a time depressed by the multiplication of seminaries in other parts of the Union, has recovered from her temporary declension, and is now moving on with her former vigor and success. Rutgers College at New-Brunswick, has within a very few years emerged from obscurity; and under the auspices of liberal piety and sound talent, has already attained a respectable standing among the literary institutions of the day. Both of them are now under the direction of able and faithful teachers. They merit the confidence of the community and reflect credit on the state.

In the year 1821, the wants of the indigent deaf and dumb in our state were presented to the Legislature; and a law was passed authorizing the appropriation of any sum not exceeding two thousand dollars per annum, toward their education. Hitherto, owing to a want of information or some other cause, only a portion of that sum has been expended. The appropriation not being specific as to amount, the unexpended balances have uniformly and properly, been taken for other purposes. At the last session the law was altered. The annual sum of two thousand dollars, was set apart as a specific fund for this benevolent purpose, and the term of instruction was increased to four years; the annual expenses of each pupil, being one hundred and sixty dollars. It affords me pleasure to inform you that the whole of the appropriation is now taken up. Since the first of April last, four beneficiaries have been added to the number, making twelve in all: of whom, nine are at the institution in Philadelphia, and the remainder in New-York. And I have

every confidence in saying that at both these institutions this unostentatious but noble charity, is faithfully dispensed.

When the law founding this charity was passed, it was in contemplation to establish an institution in our own state for the instruction of deaf and dumb. In some respects this would be desirable. Many parents are unwilling to send their unfortunate offspring a distance from home; and rather than place them beyond the reach of their care, they are suffered to grow up mere blanks in creation. It is manifest, however, that such an establishment must be, in a great measure, at least, the work of private enterprise; and until it shall have commenced operations, with a favorable prospect of success, the beneficiaries of the state will be sent to New-York and Philadelphia as heretofore.

It will be found by the Treasurer's report, that the balance of available funds in the state treasury, is between seven thousand and eight thousand dollars. The common disbursements have been about the same as in former years; but within the year very considerable drafts have been made on the treasury for matters not properly chargeable to the ordinary expenses of the state. Two thousand dollars have been paid, to assist in the formation of a road through the Water-Gap in the county of Warren, in virtue of an appropriation made in the session of 1828. Upwards of two thousand five hundred dollars have been disbursed for the repairs to the state prison establishment, rendered necessary by the fire, that in February last consumed all the work-shops, with their furniture. To these must be added the extraordinary claims on the treasury for payment of the costs of criminal prosecutions, and the transportation of prisoners, which have exceeded the amount paid last year for the same objects, nearly one thousand dollars; and also the costs and expenses incident to the question of jurisdiction and boundary with New-York, and the negotiation with Pennsylvania relative to the waters of the Delaware. Notwithstanding these and other extraordinary demands which will be fully detailed in the accounts of the treasurer, it is not considered that it will be necessary to raise any additional sum for the support of the state the ensuing year. There are no debts to be paid. The expenditure will not be so great by several thousand dollars; and it may be safely calculated that the balance in the treasury at the end of another year, will exceed ten thousand dollars.

The taxes paid by the people for the support of government, are very small in comparison with those paid for the use of the different counties and townships. The assessments for the support of roads, the erection of bridges, and the maintenance of the poor, are far the most burdensome. But although the state tax be small, it is proper that it should be apportioned and

assessed on equitable principles. It is well known, that the distribution of this burthen among the different counties is unequal. No just reason can be assigned why it should remain so. The ascertainment of the population in each county by the census lately taken, affords a favorable opportunity to revise this subject in all its bearings, and provide not only for a more equitable distribution of the tax among the several counties, but also among the different classes of citizens in the community, and the various species of property which may be found to be legitimate subjects of taxation. I beg leave to recommend this important branch of the fiscal concerns of the state, to the careful attention of the Legislature.

The acting inspectors of the State Prison, have made a report to me of the situation and concerns of that establishment. It appears from this report, that in the course of the season, it has become necessary to expend considerable sums in repairs and permanent improvements. A large and commodious work-shop has been erected in the yard, and the furniture and implements destroyed by the fire, replaced. These improvements will have a favorable effect upon the discipline of the prison. The convicts are placed more immediately within the view of the keepers; the opportunities for conversation are more limited, and a larger amount of labour is secured. The earnings of the prison this year, exceeds its expenses, exclusive of the costs of conviction and transportation, and the salaries of officers, from five to seven hundred dollars. When it is considered that one half the effective labourers were thrown out of their ordinary employment for two months, in consequence of the destruction of the shops, the result exhibits a change decidedly favourable to the state. There is reason to believe this change will be greater another year. I am satisfied that every effort will be made to render it so, on the part of the inspectors and keeper. At the same time it is greatly to be feared that no ingenuity or effort will enable the establishment to support itself, on the present plan.

If no measures are taken by the Legislature for the erection of a new penitentiary, it will be advisable to authorise some alterations in the old one. The rooms are for the most part badly arranged, and quite too few for the accommodation of the present number of prisoners. Their health and the safety of the prisoners, are endangered by having a number confined together at night in the same apartment; but this is rendered absolutely necessary. As to reformation under such circumstances it is perfectly hopeless.

The expense of constructing additional dormitories in the north wing of the building, could not be very great. The inspectors in 1829, reported to a committee of the House, that the probable expense of constructing thirty-two additional apartments or cells in one of the wings would be about fourteen

hundred and six dollars. Taking this to be near the truth, the sum appears small in comparison with the object to be attained.

The number of prisoners, according to the last report, was ninety. In 1828 the number was eighty-seven. It is now, *one hundred and nine*, showing an increase beyond all former example. This is a remarkable fact, and calls for serious inquiry. May not this extraordinary increase in the number of our convicts, be occasioned, in a great measure, by the situation of our prison? Are we not holding out inducements to the commission of crimes within our state? And will not the evil under our present system continue to increase? And if so, is it not time to commence an efficient reformation? I forbear to enlarge on this subject. My own views in relation to it have been expressed on a former occasion; and I again submit it to the wisdom of the Legislature, confident that they will act in it, with a just regard to the best interests of the state.

By the act of the last session incorporating the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company, there was reserved to the state the right of subscribing for one-fourth part of the capital stock of the company, or any smaller amount, in the discretion of the Legislature. This right of subscription is limited to five years from the time the company shall have fixed upon, and agreed to the size, dimensions and routes of the canal and feeder. This has not yet been done in a formal manner. The company have been sedulously employed during the summer, in making the necessary surveys, and, it is understood, are prepared to commence active operations. It may not be necessary for the Legislature at its present session to decide finally on the propriety of embarking in this enterprise; but as the subject is one of interest, and the state is now at liberty to exercise the right reserved to it, I have thought it my duty to present the matter for your consideration.

In the charter of the Camden and Amboy Rail Road and Transportation Company, there is a similar reservation to the state. It ceases however on the first day of January next. After that period, the state can be admitted to subscribe only with the consent of a majority of the stockholders. It will therefore be necessary to act on this subject without delay. The company have commenced their work, and are going on with a fair prospect of success.

Whatever may be the will of the Legislature in relation to the privilege of subscribing to the stock of these companies, I am satisfied, we shall all yield them our best wishes for complete success in their several undertakings.—New-Jersey has been tardy in the great cause of internal improvement. Her citizens have at length commenced under favorable auspices, and I indulge

the hope that at no distant day, the works that are now in progress will be happily completed, and prove sources of wealth and honour to their proprietors, and to the state.

Accompanying this communication, are various resolutions of the Legislatures of Delaware, Ohio, Kentucky and Louisiana, on the subject of the constitutionality and expediency of the existing tariff laws, and certain resolutions of the Legislature of Connecticut, on the propriety of altering the Constitution of the United States, in that part which directs the mode of electing the President and Vice President.

I have nothing further to submit to you at this time.

May the Spirit of Peace and true Wisdom preside over your deliberations, and direct you to such measures as will effectually advance the prosperity of the state.

PETER D. VROOM, Jr.

Trenton, October 28th, 1830.

Ordered, That 500 copies of the Governor's Message be printed.

Messrs. McDowell, Leaming, and Ward, severally presented abstracts of ratables from their respective counties.

Messrs. W. Cruser, Baldwin, Hancock, Wilson, Marshall, and L. Randolph, severally presented petitions from their respective counties for an alteration in the law establishing Medical Societies in this State ;

Which were read and referred to Messrs. W. Cruser, Ewing, and McChesney.

Mr. Ellis, from Committee to report the unfinished business of last session, reported the following items, viz :

No. 1. An act to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson River Rail-road Company.

No. 2. An act to improve the navigation of the river Raritan.

No. 3. An act to improve the navigation of the river Delaware, below Trenton.

No. 4. An act for the relief and settlement of the Poor.

No. 5. An act to amend the Judicial system of this state.

No. 6. An act to authorise the taking of acknowledgements and proof of Conveyances, in any other state, of lands and premises in New-Jersey.

No. 7. An act to incorporate the Camden and Salem Rail-road and Transportation Company.

No. 8. An act to provide for clearing the channels of the river Pequest and its branches, in the county of Warren.

No. 9. An act to incorporate the Elizabethtown and Somerville Rail-road Company.

No. 10. An act to revive and extend the act, entitled "An act to Incorporate the Orange and Sussex Canal Company."

No. 11. An act to limit the number of Judges of the Courts of Common Pleas, in the several counties of this state.

No. 12. A supplement to an act for the more easy partition of lands, held by Coparceners, Joint Tenants, and tenants in common.

No. 13. An act to incorporate the Fairfield and Paterson Turnpike Company.

No. 14. A supplement to the act concerning roads, passed February 9, 1818.

No. 15. A further supplement to the act, entitled "An act directing the mode of entering judgments upon Bonds, with warrants of Attorney to confess judgments," passed 24th February, 1820.

No. 16. An act to repeal the act to authorize the draining of the low grounds in the town of Newark, and the supplement thereto.

No. 17. An act to authorize certain persons to build a draw-bridge across the south river at Washington, in the county of Middlesex.

No. 18. An act for the better regulating of the Fisheries, in Newark Bay, &c.

No. 19. An act to improve the navigation &c. of the Passaic and Hackensack rivers.

No. 20. An act relative to Surrogates.

No. 21. The bill relative to Prosecutors of the Pleas.

No. 22. An act to incorporate the Mansfield Aqueduct Company :—

Which report was read, and ordered to lie on the table, and to be printed.

Mr. J. Randolph presented a petition from Sarah Rose for a divorce from her husband;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Meeker presented a petition from Mary Camp for a divorce from her husband;

Read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Schenck, from Committee to whom was referred the memorial of the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company, reported by bill;

Which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Black offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House will not, during the present session, receive or entertain any petitions for divorces, in any cases within the provisions of the acts of the Legislature upon this subject, and of which the Court of Chancery has jurisdiction;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Smith, from the Committee to whom was referred the petition of Aaron Dodd and others respecting lands in Hetfield Swamp;

Reported by bill; which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Hillard, from Committee to prepare a support bill, Reported the same;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The resolution, offered this morning by Mr. Black, relative to divorces, was taken up and agreed to.

Ordered, That the House proceed to make nominations for joint meeting

The House having gone through with their nominations,

Ordered, That a duplicate list of the same be sent to Council

House adjourned to Friday, 29th, 10 o'clock A. M.

FRIDAY, October 29, 1839.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

The Speaker, from the Joint Committee to receive proposals for engrossing the bills of the present session, presented to the House the proposals of Benjamin F. Van Cleve, John R. Slack, Samuel Evans, and Jacob Eoff;

Which were read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Armstrong, from the Committee on Printing, made the following report:

The Joint Committee of Council and Assembly, to whom was referred

the subject of the Printing, beg leave to report (in part,) the following resolution:

Resolved, by the Council and General Assembly, that Joseph Justice be appointed to print the bills and current printing of the two Houses, at the following rate:—for the Bills and other current printing, to contain at least thirty-four lines per page, in pica type, on the best foolscap paper that can be procured at three dollars per ream—the sum of three dollars and fifty cents per sheet;

Which report was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform Council of the adoption of the above report.

The resolution for an adjourned session was taken up; when Mr. Ewing offered as an amendment, to strike out all after the word, Resolved, and insert the following, viz:—

That it is inexpedient to have an adjourned sitting, that this Legislature are induced to depart from a practice for some years adopted, from a desire to reduce the expenses of the State, to accelerate the public business, and to avoid, as far as may be consistent with a sense of duty, the multiplication of private acts, and alterations in the public laws;

And the Yeas and Nays being required, said amendment was disagreed to, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Barritt,	Messrs. Monro,
Baldwin,	Nelson,
Black,	J. Randolph,
Campion,	Shackelton,
Clifford,	Smith,
Deacon,	Stratton,
Ewing,	Valentine,
Hancock,	Van Riper,
Ireland,	Ward,
Leaming,	Wilson,—21
Lippincott,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Meeker,
Barton,	Merkel,
Bennet,	McChesney,
A. Cruser,	McDowell,
W. Cruser,	McIlvaine,
Davis,	McKoy,
Demarest,	Ray,
Ellis,	L. Randolph,
Hillard,	Reeves,
Howey,	Schenck,
Hull,	Stokes,
Jackson,	Summerill,
Kline,	Terhune,
Marshall,	Wurts, Speaker—28

The Yeas and Nays being also required upon agreeing to the original resolution,—

Said resolution was disagreed to, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Meeker,
Barton,	McIlvaine,
Bennet,	McKoy,
A. Cruser,	Ray,
Davis,	L. Randolph,
Demarest.	Reeves,
Ellis,	Schenck,
Howey.	Shackelton.
Hull.	Summerill,
Marshall.	Terhune—20

NAYS.

Messrs. Barritt,	Messrs. Merkel,
Baldwin,	McChesney,
Black,	McDowell,
Campion,	Monro,
Clifford,	Nelson,
W. Cruser,	J. Randolph,
Deacon,	Smith,
Ewing,	Stokes,
Hancock,	Strattan,
Hillard,	Valentine,
Jackson,	Van Riper,
Ireland,	Ward,
Kline,	Wilson,
Leaming,	Wurts, Speaker—29
Lippincott,	

The nominations made in council were received and read.

Ordered, That the Clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly is now ready to go into joint meeting.

The Council came into the Assembly room, and both houses went into joint meeting.

The joint meeting having gone through with their appointments, the joint meeting rose.

The House came to order, and

Adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Meeker, to whom was referred the petition of Richard Varick and

others, for a law authorising a rail road from the Hudson to the Delaware river, reported by bill;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Jackson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, by the Council and Assembly, that Benjamin F. Van Cleve, Esq. be employed to engross the Bills and Resolutions of the Council and Assembly, for the present and future sittings of this Legislature;

Which was amended by striking out the name of Benjamin F. Van Cleve, and,

Upon filling the blank in said resolution, the names of Benjamin F. Van-Cleve, John R. Slack, Jacob Eoff, and Samuel Evans, having been proposed, and the House being called, it was decided as follows:

For Benjamin F. Van Cleve.

Messrs. Barton,	Messrs. Marshall,
Barrett,	Meeker,
Baldwin,	Merkel,
Bennet,	McChesney,
Black,	McDowell,
Campion,	McIlvaine,
A. Cruser,	McKoy,
Davis,	Ray,
Deacon,	L. Randolph,
Ellis,	Shackelton,
Ewing,	Smith,
Hancock,	Stokes,
Hillard,	Stratton,
Hull,	Summerill,
Ireland,	Van Riper,
Jackson,	Ward,
Leaming,	Wilson—35
Lippincott,	

For Jacob Eoff.

Messrs. W. Cruser.	Messrs. Schenck,
Demarest,	Terhune,
Kline,	Valentine—7
J. Randolph,	

For Jno. R. Slack.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Reeves,
Clifford,	Wurts, Speaker—5
Howey,	

So the blank was ordered to be filled with the name of Benjamin F. Van Cleve.

Ordered, That the Clerk carry said resolution to Council, and request their assent to the same.

The Supplement to the Act, entitled "An Act to incorporate the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company," was taken up.

Ordered, That a further consideration of the same be postponed.

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, they do adjourn to Monday morning next, November 1st, at 10 o'clock A. M.

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock, A. M.

MONDAY, November 1, 1830.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. Merkel presented a petition from the officers of certain uniform companies in the county of Sussex, for a law authorizing the establishment of an Independent Regiment of Artillery, in said county.

Read and referred to Messrs. Merkel, J. F. Randolph, and Reeves.

A Message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their Secretary, informed the House that Council had agreed to the Joint Resolution from the House of Assembly, appointing Joseph Justice to print the bills and current printing of the two Houses, at the price therein specified.

Mr. Ewing, from Committee to whom was referred the petition of Sarah Souder, reported by bill, which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. McKoy presented the abstract of ratables from the county of Sussex;

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Kline offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a Committee be appointed to enquire and report whether any, and if any, what alterations are necessary in the act abolishing imprisonment for debt in certain cases, passed February 19th, 1830.

Which was read and agreed to, and Messrs. Kline, Davis, and Leaming appointed.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

Three o'clock House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had agreed to the joint resolution from the House of Assembly, appointing Benjamin F. Van Cleve to engross the bills and resolutions of the present and future sittings of this Legislature.

Mr. Kline offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved by the Legislative Council and General Assembly, That the poplar wood in the State House Yard be removed to the State Prison, for the use of the same, and that Thomas M. Perrine cause the removal as soon as practicable;

Which was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said resolution to Council, and request their assent to the same.

Ordered, That so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the equalization of taxes be referred to the committee appointed to bring in a tax bill.

Mr. Hillard offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's Message, as relates to the State Prison, be referred to a special committee:

Read and agreed to, and Messrs. Hillard, Smith, and Stratton appointed.

Mr. Kline offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That so much of Governor's Message, as relates to the Camden and Amboy Rail road and Transportation Company, be referred to a special committee:

Read and agreed to, and Messrs. Kline, Ireland, and Lippincott appointed.

Ordered, That two additional members be added to the preceding committee;

Whereupon Messrs. Jackson and Marshall were accordingly added.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council of the adoption of the above resolution, and request that a corresponding committee be appointed on their part.

Mr. Schenck offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That so much of the Governor's Message as relates to the common school system, be referred to a select committee;

Which, having been read and amended, the same was agreed to; and Messrs. Schenck, Baldwin, Demarest, Monro, Hull, Shackelton, McIlvaine, L. S. Randolph, Bennet, Black, Armstrong, Ray, Ewing, and Leaming appointed.

The bill for the support of the government of the State was read a second time, and gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had agreed to the joint resolution from the House of Assembly, for the removal of the wood in the State House Yard to the State Prison, without amendment.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock, A. M.

TUESDAY, November 2, 1830.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

Mr. Kline presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Somerset, relative to the equalization of taxes.

Read and referred to the committee to bring in a tax bill.

Mr. Ray offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Mary Smith, (widow) of the county of Salem, be allowed the sum of dollars for her services and expenses, incurred in the apprehension of a certain person calling his name John Smith, in a case of Burglary, &c.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Bennet offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House will rise on the day of this present month, to sit again on the day of January next;

Which resolution was amended, so as to read—

Resolved, That this House will rise on the ninth of this present month, to sit again on Wednesday, the fifth day of January next;

When the same was agreed to, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,
Barton,
Bennet,
A. Cruser,
Davis,
Demarest,
Ellis,
Howey,
Hull,
Marshall,
Meeker,
McChesney,
McKoy,
McIlvaine,
Ray,
L. Randolph,
Reeves,
Schenck,
Shackelton,
Summerill,
Terhune,
Wurts, speaker—22

NAYS.

Messrs. Barrett,
Baldwin,
Black,
Campion,
Clifford,
Deacon,
Ewing,
Hancock,
Ireland,
Kline,
Leaming,
Lippincott,
McDowell,
Munro,
Nelson,
J. Randolph,
Stokes,
Valentine,
Van Riper,
Ward,
Wilson—21

The documents which accompanied the Message of the Governor were taken up, read, and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Merkel, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of certain officers in the county of Sussex, for an Independent Regiment of Artillery in said county, reported by bill;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock, P. M. House met.

Mr. Van Riper presented the abstract of ratables from the county of Essex. Ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to authorise the sale of certain real estate, late of John Souder, deceased, was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The supplement to the act incorporating the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company,

Was read a second time, and considered by section, when

Mr. Jackson offered an additional section, as an amendment,

Which was ordered to be printed, and a further consideration of the bill postponed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had appointed Messrs. Ryerson and Capner a committee, on their part, on that part of the Governor's Message relating to the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company.

House adjourned to Wednesday, 3d, ten o'clock, A. M.

WEDNESDAY, November 3, 1830.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act for the support of the government of this State,"

Was read a third time and compared,

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows.

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Marshall,
Barton,	Meeker,
Barrett,	McChesney,
Baldwin,	McKoy,
Campion,	Monro,
Clifford,	Nelson,
A. Cruser,	L. Randolph,
W. Cruser,	Reeves,
Davis,	Schenck,
Deacon,	Shackelton,
Demarest,	Smith,
Ellis,	Stokes,
Ewing,	Stratton,
Hancock,	Summerill,
Hillard,	Terhune,
Howey,	Van Riper,
Hull,	Ward,
Ireland,	Wilson,
Leaming,	Wurts, speaker—39
Lippincott,	

NAYS.

Messrs. McDowell, Valentine—2

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to authorise trustees therein named, to sell certain real estate of John Souder, deceased,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Barton,
Barrett,
Baldwin,
Campion,
Clifford,
A. Cruser,
Deacon,
Demarest,
Ellis,
Ewing,
Hull,
Ireland,
Leaming,
Lippincott,
Meeker,
McChesney,
McDowell,
Nelson,
L. Randolph,
Schenck,
Smith,
Stratton,
Summerill,
Terhune,
Van Riper,
Ward,
Wurts, Speaker—27

NAYS.

Messrs. Armstrong,
W. Cruser,
Davis,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Howey,
Kline,
Marshall,
McKoy,
Monro,
Reeves,
Shackelton,
Stokes,
Valentine,
Wilson—15

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said Bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill for the establishment of an Independent Regiment of Field Artillery in the county of Sussex,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The report of the committee on the unfinished business of the last session of the Legislature was taken up, when

No. 1. "An act to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road Company,"

Was committed to Messrs. Smith, Hancock and Terhune.

No. 4. "An act for the relief and settlement of the poor,"

Was committed to Messrs. McDowell, Van Riper and Barrett.

No. 5. "An act to amend the Judiciary System of this State,"

Committed to Messrs. Reeves, Campion, and and McKoy.

No. 6. "An act to authorise the taking of acknowledgments and proof of conveyances, in any other State, of lands and premises in New-Jersey,"

Committed to Messrs. Valentine, Clifford and Nelson.

No. 11. "An act to limit the number of Judges of the Courts of Common Pleas in the several counties of this State,"

Committed to Messrs Reeves, Campion, and McKoy. And

No. 22. "An act to incorporate the Mansfield Aqueduct Company,"

Committed to Messrs Valentine, Stokes and Ward.

Mr. Cruser offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the door-keeper of the House of Assembly is hereby authorised to remove the railing on the bar of the Assembly room, as soon as practicable;

Which was read, and disagreed to.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Howey presented a petition from Hugh Aggings, for relief:

Read and referred to Messrs. Howey, Wilson and Deacon.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act establishing an Independent Regiment of Field Artillery, in the county of Sussex,"

Was read a third time and compared;

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. McChesney,
Barton,	McDowell,
Barrett,	McKoy,
Baldwin,	Monro,
Campion,	Nelson,
Clifford,	L. Randolph,
A. Cruser,	Reeves,
W. Cruser,	Schenck,
Deacon,	Shackelton,
Demarest,	Smith,
Ellis,	Stratton,
Ewing,	Summerill,
Hancock.	Terhune.

Hillard,
Hull,
Ireland,
Kline,
Leaming,
Meeker,
Valentine,
Van Riper,
Ward,
Wilson,
Wurts, speaker—37

NAYS.

Messrs. Howey,
Lippincott,
Stokes—3

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

Mr. Kline, from the joint committee to whom was referred that part of the Governor's Message relating to the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company, made the following Report:

The Joint Committee of Council and Assembly, to whom was referred that part of the Governor's Message, relative to a subscription, on the part of the State, to the one-fourth part or less of the Capital Stock of the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company, beg leave to report—

Your Committee have considered the matter referred to them, with all the care and attention which its importance demanded. They are sensible that the question involves, deeply and permanently, the pecuniary interests of the State. Your committee, after full deliberation on the subject, would advise a subscription, on the part of the State, of one-fourth part of the Capital Stock of the said Company, subject to the further consideration of the Legislature. Certain proposals have been submitted to your Committee, on the part of the said Company, which are submitted to the House, with this report—And the report of your committee is based on these proposals:—Their submission to the House will prevent the necessity of a discussion, in detail, of the reasons on which it is founded. Your committee would, therefore, beg leave to present the following resolution, and refer the House to the proposals of the said Company, as to the propriety of its acceptance.

Resolved, by the Legislative Council and General Assembly, That the Treasurer of this State be, and he hereby is, authorised and directed to subscribe, on behalf of the State of New-Jersey, for two thousand five hundred shares of the Capital Stock of the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company, being the one-fourth part of the Capital Stock of said Company; which subscription shall be made on or before the first day of January next—*Provided* that the said Company will receive said subscription on the condition that no instalment, on the same, shall be required of the said treasurer or the state before the first day of April next; and provided, further, that, in making said subscription, the said State be allowed to reserve the right of withdrawing said subscription, or making any other disposition of it that the Legislature shall see fit, at any time before the first day of April next.

Which report and resolution was read and accepted, and the same ordered to a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Smith offered the following resolution:

Whereas, on the 29th ultimo, it was, after a free and full discussion, decided by a large majority of this House, that it was inexpedient to hold an adjourned session, yesterday, in the absence of a number of members, necessarily engaged upon a committee, the decision was reversed by a single vote, contrary, as is confidently believed, to the sentiments of a majority, therefore

Resolved, That it is inexpedient to hold an adjourned sitting, and this House will proceed in the despatch of business;

Which resolution was read and objected to, as not being in order. The Chair declining to decide, said resolution was declared not to be in order, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Barrett,	Messrs. Kline,
Baldwin,	Leaming,
Black,	Lippincott,
Campion,	Marshall,
Deacon,	Monro,
Ellis,	Nelson,
Ewing,	Smith,
Hancock,	Stratton,
Ireland,	Valentine—18

NAYS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. McIlvaine,
Barton,	McKoy,
Bennett,	Ray,
Clifford,	L. Randolph,
A. Cruser,	Reeves,
W. Cruser,	Schenck,
Davis,	Shackelton,
Demarest,	Stokes,
Hillard,	Summerill,
Howey,	Terhune,
Hull,	Van Riper,
Jackson,	Ward,
Meeker,	Wilson,
McChesney,	Wurts, speaker—29
McDowell,	

Mr. Marshall, from the Committee to whom was referred that part of the Governor's Message relating to the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company, made the following report, from the minority of the committee:

The minority of your Committee, to whom was referred so much of the Message of his Excellency the Governor, as relates to the reservation in favor of the State to subscribe for one-fourth part of the Capital Stock of the Cam-

den and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company, beg leave to report—

That, having given the subject the investigation and consideration which its importance demands, we are of opinion, that the State ought not to subscribe to the said stock, for the following reasons:

First, The State, at the present time, has no capital on hand to invest in stock; the surplus in the Treasury being no more than is necessary to meet the current expenditures, and provide for the exigencies of the Government; and the taxes now imposed upon the people are, in the opinion of us, too heavy to warrant any increase of taxes for the purpose of raising funds for the payment of such subscription.

Without the money to purchase and pay for the stock in question, we think the State ought not to subscribe, as it must involve the State in debt, which will have to be paid in future, either by a resort to taxation, or by the profits which may arise from the subscription itself; and we consider it impolitic to contract such a debt, and contrary to the policy of New-Jersey to embark in any money making speculations upon stocks, the value of which may depend on privileges, which the Legislature ought not to grant without erecting a dangerous and unjust monopoly.

We are of opinion, that the right of way across the State, and the privilege of employing all the means which the ingenuity of the present age has invented, in the transportation of passengers and merchandise thereon, is a right common to every citizen of New-Jersey, in the free and full exercise of which, the Legislature should guard and protect the public; and that no company ought, in the erection of a Canal, a Turnpike, or a Rail-road, to have any exclusive monopoly, or any exclusive right, beyond what may be necessary to protect them in the business of a fair competition with others, and secure to them a reasonable remuneration for their expenditures: and we believe it would be not only contrary to the settled and wise policy of New-Jersey, but a violation of public right to grant such exclusive privileges, and that this violation would in no degree be palliated by making the State a party in interest in the matter. We are not of opinion that the common rights of the people are the proper subjects of sale or transfer to any company or any section of country, because the operation of such a transfer is to deprive other companies and other portions of the state of the exercise of a fair competition in business.

We believe that such competition is necessary for the proper accommodation of the public, and needful to guard against the abuses to which communities are always liable from monopolies; and we see nothing in the past history of our Legislature to warrant an experiment which appears to them fraught with all the serious consequences to which they have alluded. We are unwilling to hold out, therefore, to any company, the offer of exclusive privileges, upon any terms. We believe the Legislature cannot do so without compromitting the rights of their constituents, and introducing a dangerous precedent for the future. We beg leave, therefore, to dissent from the opinion expressed in the report of a majority of your committee;

Which report was read, and ordered to lie on the table, and to be printed.

House adjourned to Thursday, 4th November.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. Smith, from Committee to whom was referred No. 1. of unfinished business, being an Act to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road Company, reported by bill;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Valentine, from Committee to whom was referred No. 6. of unfinished business, being an Act concerning Acknowledgements, &c. reported by bill;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The Bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail-road Company, was read a second time and postponed.

The resolution for compensating Mary Smith, for expenses and services in the apprehension of John Smith, was committed to the committee appointed to report an incidental bill.

No. 14- of unfinished business—an act concerning Roads—was committed to Messrs. Kline, Ellis, and Barrett.

Adjourned to 3 o'clock.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Van Riper, with leave, introduced a bill to divide the Township of Aquackanonk, in the county of Essex, into two Townships;

Read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The Supplement to the Act incorporating the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company, was again taken up for consideration, and having been read a second time, the same was gone through with by section;

When a motion to postpone said bill to the next sitting of the Legislature, was lost by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Merkle,
Barrett,	McChesney,
Baldwin,	McKoy,
Black,	J. Randolph,
Campion,	Reeves,
Deacon,	Shackelton,
Demarest,	Stokes,
Howey,	Stratton,
Jackson,	Van Riper,
Ireland,	Ward,
Meeker,	Wurts, Speaker—22

NAYS.

Messrs. Barton,	Messrs. McDowell,
Bennett,	McIlvaine,
Clifford,	Monro,
A. Cruser,	Nelson,
W. Cruser,	Ray,
Ellis,	L. Randolph,
Ewing,	Schenck,
Hancock,	Smith,
Hillard,	Summerill.
Hull,	Terhune,
Kline,	Valentine,
Marshall,	Wilson—24

After which, said bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their Secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill, entitled an "Act to empower Peter Merkel and William Hunt, Administrators, &c. of Jacob Emmons, deceased, to execute a contract made by the said Jacob, with Abraham Smith, for the sale of a house and lot of land, in the Township of Stillwater, in the County of Sussex;" and request the concurrence of the House of Assembly;

Which bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The report of the Joint Committee, relative to a subscription on the part of the State, to the one-fourth of the Capital Stock of the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company, was read a second time, and the further consideration of the same postponed.

House adjourned to Friday, November 5th.

FRIDAY, November 5, 1831

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

Mr. McDowell presented a petition from inhabitants of South Amboy, for a repeal of a law relative to the draw in a Bridge over South River;

Read and referred to Messrs. McDowell, W. Cruser, and Ewing.

Ordered unanimously, That Mr. Hillard of Morris, have leave of absence during the remainder of this sitting.

Mr. Jackson, from Joint Committee, to settle the accounts of the Treasurer, made the following report:

We, the Committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle the accounts of the Treasurer of the State, do hereby certify, that we have examined the said accounts, and find them regularly and correctly settled and balanced, and have ascertained the evidences of public stock, securities, and other effects actually in the treasury.

The balance in the hands of the Treasurer, they find to be, seven thousand one hundred and forty-six dollars, and thirty-eight cents, standing to his credit as Treasurer of the State, in the Trenton Banking Company, and otherwise accounted for, as follows:

In the Trenton Banking Company, six thousand one hundred and seventeen dollars and fifty-eight cents.

Advanced to Geo. Sherman, on account of Printing Halstead's Report, three hundred dollars.

Paid for labour and materials for improvements made in the Assembly room and Council Chamber, for which an allowance will be prayed for in the incidental bill, six hundred and twenty-four dollars and forty-four cents.

Paid for wood, postage, and other incidental items, for which an allowance will also be asked in the incidental bill, one hundred and four dollars and thirty-six cents.

Total amount, seven thousand one hundred and forty-six dollars and thirty-eight cents.

ELIAS P. SEELEY,
WM. N. SHINN,
} Committee of Council.

JOSEPH JACKSON,
AGUSTUS W. BENNETT,
SAMUEL BLACK,
ZACHEUS RAY,
EDWARD S. McILVAINE,
} Committee of House of Assembly.

Trenton, October 26, 1830.

Dr. *CHARLES PARKER, Treasurer, in Account Current with*

1829.						Dolls.	Cts.
Oct. 27.	To a balance in the Treasury this day, on settlement,					9	022 38
Dec. 21.	Received of Asher Atkinson, collector of Hunterdon Co., on account of Tax,				546 98		
	do.	do.	do.	do.	746 96		
22.	do.	do.	do.	do.	3 241 90		
						4	535 84

1829.			Dolls.	Cts.
Oct. 28.	By paid Eunice Platt, 6 mo. pension,	20 00		
30.	Joseph Greer, Brigade Inspector of Sussex, his salary,	30 00		
	John Sullivan, per order from Governor, for services as engineer,	200 00		
	One inquisition from Sussex,	7 12		
	Three do. do. Morris,	20 71		
	Six. do. do. Salem,	67 78		
	One do. do. Essex,	8 70		
			354	31
Nov. 6.	One do. do. Hunterdon,	3 60		
	One do. do. do.	7 62		
9.	For transporting a prisoner from Bergen to State Prison,	29 95		
	One bill of cost for prosecution, &c.	33 79		
10.	Joseph Kaighn, a member of Council,	55 80		
	Henry Frease do.	67 50		
	Elias P. Seely, do.	69 00		
			267	26
	Israel Townsend, do.	84 00		
	William S. Emlay, do.	51 00		
	James Cook, do.	49 50		
	Wm. N. Shinn, do.	51 30		
	Nathaniel Board, do.	75 00		
	Amzi Dodd, do.	57 00		
	Andrew Howell, do.	56 10		
			423	90
	George Maxwell, do.	52 20		
	Edward Condit, V. P. do.	68 10		
	Jonathan Robbins, do.	57 00		
	David Ryerson, do.	67 50		
	John Ward, a member of Assembly,	69 00		
	Cornelius Van Winkle, do.	66 00		
	Andrew P. Hopper, do.	69 00		
			448	80
	John J. Chetwood, do.	60 00		
	Joseph C. Hornblower, do.	60 00		
	John Vail, do.	64 50		
	Luther Little, do.	58 50		
	James S. Nevius, do.	52 50		
	Fer'nd. S. Schenck, do.	51 00		
			346	50
	Peter D. Vroom, mem. of Assembly,	44 10		
	Gabriel Hoof, do.	48 90		
	Stacy G. Potts, do.	45 00		
	Alexander Wurts, do.	59 40		
	Isaac G. Farlee, do.	55 50		

1829.		Dolls.	Cts
	Amount brought forward,	13	558 22

1829.			Dolls.	Cts.
Nov.	By paid Charles Hillard, member of Assem.		63 00	
	Joseph Jackson,	do.	63 30	
				379 20
	John Hancock,	do.	63 00	
	William Monro,	do.	63 00	
	Daniel Vliet,	do.	64 80	
	Jacob Summers,	do.	61 50	
	Peter Merkle,	do.	67 50	
	James Evans,	do.	72 00	
	Joshua S. Earl,	do.	51 00	
				442 80
	Samuel Black,	do.	49 20	
	John Warren,	do.	49 80	
	Isaac Hinchman,	do.	61 50	
	John W. Mickle,	do.	57 00	
	Japhet Ireland,	do.	73 50	
	Michael Swing,	do.	70 50	
	Jacob C. Wick,	do.	66 00	
				427 50
	William N. Jeffers,	do.	66 00	
	Daniel Hurley,	do.	66 00	
	Philip Fithian,	do.	69 00	
	Nathaniel Foster,	do.	69 00	
	Joshua Townsend,	do.	81 00	
	Ivans Davis,	do.	58 50	
	Augustus W. Bennet,	do.	58 50	
				468 00
	James West,	do.	58 50	
	J. B. Howell,	do.	57 00	
	Daniel H. Ellis,	do.	54 00	
	Littleton Kirkpatrick,	do.	52 50	
	Abraham Cruser,	do.	48 90	
	Samuel Scattergood, door-keeper to the House of Assembly,		30 00	
	M. C. How, door-keeper to Council,		30 00	
				330 90
10.	B. M. Voorheese, clerk of Assembly,		56 00	
	James D. Westcott, secretary of Council,		52 50	
	Samuel Updyck, engrossing clerk,		2 60	
	Samuel R. Hamilton, for services as secretary to Council,		14 00	
	Do. do. for copying and recording Journal of 1829,		63 52	
	Daniel Coleman, for issuing commissions,		65 33	
	G. D. Wall, quarter-master-general, for six months salary,		50 00	
				303 85

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer.*

1829.				Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,			13	558 22
Dec. 26.	To received from collector of Burl'n. co., for tax,	4	307 12		
30.	do. do. Cape May,		646 00		
31.	From collector of Gloucester county, on account of tax,	3	149 95		
1830.					
Jan. 1.	do. Salem, in full,	2	156 60		
4.	3 months interest on U. States stock,		16 53		
5.	Of collector of Middlesex county, for tax of 1829,	3	253 36		
				13	529 56

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1829.			Dolls.	Cts.
Nov. 10.	By paid Zac. Rossell, adjutant-general, for do.	50 00		
	Charles Parker, for 12 days attendance at State Library,	24 00		
11.	Charles Ewing, C. Justice, for 6 months salary, and for holding 5 circuits,	750 00		
	A. W. Phillips, for allowance in incidental bill,	15 00		
	Charles Parker, for do.	115 15		
	H. King, for do.	5 00		
12.	Daniel Coleman, clerk of Court of Appeals,	7 00		
			966	16
	Isaac H. Williamson, late Governor, for 3 months salary,	500 00		
13.	Sarah Wood, for 6 months pension,	20 00		
	Joseph Justice, for allowance in incidental bill,	113 90		
16.	Lydia Westbrook, for 6 months pension,	120 00		
17.	William P. Sherman, per allowance in incidental bill,	15 00		
	George Sherman do.	46 67		
23.	G. H. Ford, associate justice, for 6 months salary, and holding 5 circuits,	700 00		
			1 515	57
24.	Daniel Fenton, for allowance in incidental bill,	43 19		
26.	John Milledge, for attending court of chancery, as door keeper,	8 00		
27.	Charles M. Wells, a member of the General Assembly,	45 00		
28.	Samuel L. Southard, attorney-general, for postage,	26 36		
30.	William Gold, for allowance in incidental bill,	6 96		
Dec. 15.	Isaac Shipman, for bringing from Warren jail to state prison, a prisoner,	24 75		
	Do. do. for 1 bill of cost,	94 61		
			248	87
22.	Daniel Coleman, Esq. secretary per Warrant,	44 75		
	Asher Atkinson, 1 inquisition from Hunterdon,	2 70		
23.	1 inquisition from Monmouth,	2 75		
29.	Daniel Coleman, for issuing commissions, &c.	11 41		
30	1 inquisition from Cape May,	17 62		

DR. *Charles Parker, Treasurer.*

1829.				Dolls.	Cts	Dolls.	Cts
	Amount brought forward,					27	087 78
Jan. 6.	To received from collector of Warren county for tax of 1829,			2	185 50		
7.	do.	Bergen	do.	2	599 84		
	Five per cent on premiums of foreign Insurance company in Bergen county,				111 33		
18.	From collector of Cumberland county, for tax of 1829,			1	586 18		
26.	do.	Morris	do.	3	136 02		
Feb. 3.	do.	Monmouth	do.	3	723 68		
9.	do.	Essex	do.	3	822 04		
	do.	Somerset	do.	2	642 86		
	do.	Gloucester	do. bal. of do.		229 31		
						20	036 76

CONTRA. CR.

1830.			Dolls.	Cts.
	By paid Daniel Coleman, for issuing commissions, &c.	1 98		
Jan. 5.	Dr. John Howell, for 3 months salary as physician at state prison,	18 75		
			99	96
	Rev. Mr. Boswell, chaplain at state prison, 1 quarter's salary,	37 50		
	James Rhine, assistant keeper, do. do.	16 87		
	John T. French, clerk, do. do.	125 00		
	Thomas Neal, assistant keeper, do. do.	100 00		
	Richard Campbell, do. do. do.	100 00		
	William Van Hart, do. do. do.	100 00		
	Ephraim Ryno, keeper, do. do.	200 00		
			679	37
6.	Lydia Wood, for 6 months pension,	20 00		
7.	Seven inquisitions from Bergen,	93 76		
	John Cunningham, assistant keeper of state prison,	100 00		
	Appropriation for road over Blue Mountain, near Water Gap,	2 000 00		
12.	D. Coleman, for issuing commissions and filing warrants,	3 47		
15.	J. L. Sullevan, for surveying Delaware river, per order,	40 00		
26.	D. Coleman, for 8 days attendance at the Court of Appeals,	28 00		
			2 285	23
28.	Joseph Camp, for transportation of one prisoner from Essex county jail to state prison,	18 75		
	Do. do. for amount of a taxed bill of cost for prosecution of said prisoner,	25 51		
Feb. 1.	D. Coleman, for 1 month's salary as Auditor,	4 16		
3.	Daniel Holmes, Esq. for transporting one prisoner from Monmouth co. to state prison,	11 77		
	Do. do. for a taxed bill of cost for prosecution of said prisoner,	21 58		
5.	Daniel Coleman, for issuing commissions and filing warrants,	5 79		
9.	One inquisition from Morris,	16 52		
			104	08
10.	One bill of cost on account of tax from Somerset,	18 15		
12	Twenty-two inquisitions from Gloucester,	217 23		

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer.*

1830.			Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,		47	124 54
April 14.	To received of collector of Sussex county for tax of 1829,	2 025 70		
24.	Do. do. 3 months interest on U. States stock,	16 53		
			2 042	23

1830.				Dolls.	Cts.
17.	By paid Abraham Godwin, brigade-inspector of Essex, his salary for 1829,			30 00	
	Archibald Campbell, brigade-inspector of Bergen, his salary for 1829,			30 00	
	John Milledge, for 9 days attendance at a Court of Chancery,			9 00	
23.	Stephen Dodd, for amount of one inquisition,			9 02	
25.	William N. Jeffers, for his attendance as a member of the General Assembly,			180 00	
					493 40
Mch. 2.	Israel Townsend, member of Council,			210 00	
	Nathaniel Board	do.	do.	201 00	
	Elias P. Seely	do.	do.	195 00	
	Andrew H. Howell	do.	do.	182 10	
	George Maxwell	do.	do.	178 20	
	Henry Freeze	do.	do.	193 50	
	Joseph Kaighn	do.	do.	181 80	
	David Ryerson	do.	do.	193 50	
	Edward Condit	do.	do.	215 10	
	Amzi Dodd	do.	do.	174 00	
	Jno. Robbins	do.	do.	184 20	
	William N. Shinn	do.	do.	177 30	
	James Cook	do.	do.	175 50	
	William J. Emley	do.	do.	177 00	
					1 296 60
	Joshua Townsend, member of Assembly,			207 00	
	Andrew P. Hopper	do.	do.	195 00	
	Cornelius Van Winkle	do.	do.	192 00	
	John Ward	do.	do.	198 00	
	Philip Fithian	do.	do.	195 00	
	Nathaniel Foster	do.	do.	195 00	
	Michael Swing	do.	do.	196 50	
					1 378 50
	Ferdinand S. Schenck	do.	do.	168 00	
	Jacob Kline	do.	do.	183 00	
	James S. Nevius	do.	do.	178 50	
	Isaac G. Farlee	do.	do.	172 50	
	Alexander Wurts	do.	do.	206 40	
	Stacy G. Potts	do.	do.	171 00	
	David Hurley	do.	do.	192 00	
					1 271 40
	Jacob Wick	do.	do.	192 00	
	John W. Mickle	do.	do.	183 00	
	Isaac Hinchman	do.	do.	187 50	
	Japhet Ireland	do.	do.	199 50	
	James Evans	do.	do.	199 50	
	Peter Merkel	do.	do.	193 50	

1880.		Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	49	166 77

1830.				Dolls.	Cts.
	By paid Charles Hillard	do.	189 00		
				1 344	00
	Joseph Jackson	do.	189 30		
	William Monro	do.	189 00		
	John Hancock	do.	189 00		
	Luther Little	do.	184 50		
	Joseph C. Hornblower	do.	186 00		
	John Vail	do.	190 50		
	John J. Chetwood	do.	186 00		
				1 314	30
	Jacob Summers	do.	187 50		
	Daniel Vleit	do.	181 80		
	John Warren	do.	175 80		
	Joshua S. Carl	do.	177 00		
	Charles M. Wells	do.	171 00		
	Samuel Black	do.	175 20		
	Littleton Kirkpatrick	do.	178 50		
				1 246	80
	Abraham Cruser	do.	175 00		
	Josiah B. Howell	do.	183 00		
	Daniel H. Ellis	do.	180 00		
	Augustus W. Bennet	do.	184 50		
	James West	do.	186 00		
	Ivans Davis	do.	184 50		
	Samuel Scattergood, door-keeper of Assembly,		118 00		
				1 211	00
	Martin C. How, sergeant at arms,		118 00		
	B. M. Voorheese, clerk, for engrossing,		123 00		
	B. M. Voorheese, clerk of Assembly,		203 00		
	William Boswell, librarian,		114 00		
	Samuel L. Southard, for expenses, &c.		28 54		
	William B. Ewing, per allowance in incidental bill,		28 50		
	Samuel L. Southard do. do.		100 00		
				715	04
	Samuel & T. I. Stryker, per allowance in incidental bill,		77 00		
	Jason Roe do. do.		2 00		
	Samuel Scattergood do. do.		32 00		
	Samuel Updyck, for engrossing,		40 00		
	James D. Westcott, secretary to council,		223 50		
	James D. Westcott, for copying and recording the journal,		103 10		
	Samuel Evans, for engrossing bills for Council,		35 36		
				512	96

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer.*

1830.		Dolls	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	49	166 77

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1830.			Dolls.	Cts.
Mch. 2.	By paid Borden M. Voorheese, for copying and recording the votes and proceedings of the 54th General Assembly,	227 84		
	B. M. Voorheese, per allowance in incidental bill,	7 50		
	Isaac H. Williamson, per allowance in incidental bill,	56 35		
	Zac. Rossell do.	4 66		
	Martin C. How do.	26 37		
	Joseph W. Scott do.	100 00		
	A. W. Phillips do.	5 00		
			427	72
3.	Jason H. Roe, for loss by fire at State Prison,	59 86		
4.	Joseph Justice, per allowance in incidental bill,	357 61		
	John R. Smith do.	10 53		
	Daniel Fenten do.	25 95		
	Do. do.	1 44		
8.	Asa Belden, per E. Ryno, per allowance.	5 25		
	Jno. Burton, per loss by fire at state prison,	12 00		
			472	64
	For one inquisition from Hunterdon co.	4 76		
	John C. Chambers, per allowance in incidental bill,	2 25		
10.	Richard Bond, per loss by fire at the state prison,	101 37		
	Jno. Noble, per allowance in incidental bill,	4 00		
	William Morris do.	6 00		
	David Taylor do.	13 25		
	Daniel Chambers do.	22 00		
			153	63
81	Isaac Schenck, Dep. Sheriff of Middlesex, for transporting 3 prisoners to state prison,	17 19		
	Jacob Schenck, dep. sheriff of Middlesex, for 3 taxed bills of cost for prosecution of said prisoner,	99 67		
20.	Draft of George Sherman, per allowance in incidental bill,	50 50		
	James Fossett, for allowance in incidental bill,	1 00		
	Daniel Baker do.	1 50		
	William Kerwood do.	11 00		
	Thomas Cain do.	12 09		
			192	95
	Henry B. Howell do.	6 30		

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		Amount brought forward,		49 166 77
1830.				Dolls. Cts.
May 12.	To rereived for 5 per cent. on premiums of foreign insurance companies located in Essex.		81 13	
				81 13

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1830.		Dolls.	Cts.	Dolls.	Cts.
March 20.	By paid John McCulley for allowance in incidental bill,	2	00		
	William Hancock (2 vouchers) do.	5	25		
	Andrew Allisson, per order from inspectors of state prison,	50	00		
	Daniel Coleman, for issuing commissions and filing warrants,	43	96		
	Do. do. for copying the laws of the Legislature for the newspaper,	25	56		
	Daniel Coleman, per allowance in incidental bill,	30	00		
				163	07
22.	William Chapman, for a loss sustained by fire at the state prison,	1	82		
23.	Samuel L. Southard, for costs relative to jurisdiction between New-York and N. Jersey,	500	00		
	Do. do. for postage, &c.	44	75		
29.	Andrew Allisson, per order from inspectors of state prison,	50	00		
	Welling Napton, per order from do.	50	00		
	Daniel Coleman, auditor, for three months salary,	12	50		
	Jasper Scott, per allowance made him in bill,	4	07		
				663	14
30.	Jesse Smith, sheriff of Gloucester, for transporting 7 prisoners to state prison,	36	98		
	Jesse Smith, for 7 taxed bills of cost,	106	98		
	Daniel Coleman, secretary, for filing acts and resolutions, &c.	8	30		
31.	For 4 inquisitions from Burlington,	32	15		
April 1.	Widow of G. Hoof, per allowance in incidental bill,	81	00		
5.	For tuition of deaf and dumb in Pennsylvania institution,	480	00		
	Thomas M. Perrine, keeper of state prison, salary,	56	91		
				802	32
	John T. French, clerk, 1 quar. salary,	125	00		
	John Cunningham, asst. keeper, do. do.	100	00		
	Thomas Neal do. do. do.	100	00		
	Richard Campbell do. do. do.	100	00		
	Wm. Van Hart do. do. do.	100	00		
	James Rhine do. do. do.	16	87		
	Wm. Boswell, chaplain, do. do.	37	50		
				579	37

1830.		Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward	49 247	90

1830.			Dolls.	Cts.
April 6.	By paid Dr. John Howell, physician, for one quarter's salary,	12 92		
10.	For one inquisition from Hunterdon,	2 62		
13.	Wm. Halsted, law reporter, for 6 mo. salary,	100 00		
14.	James Wood, for two inquisitions from Morris,	13 93		
16.	Welling Napton, for carpenter work at state prison,	60 00		
20.	D. Coleman, for copying laws,	56 60		
	For tuition of deaf and dumb in N. York institution,	240 00		
			486	07
22.	Allowance made Charles Parker, in incidental bill,	283 88		
24.	S. L. Southard, for costs relative to question of jurisdiction,	346 22		
	Sarah Wood, for six mo. pension,	20 00		
26.	For transporting two prisoners from Trenton to state prison,	1 20		
	For two bills of cost for prosecuting the above prisoners,	29 47		
May 1.	For two inquisitions from Monmouth,	21 43		
3.	For Lumber for shop at state prison,	204 33		
			906	54
	One inquisition from Morris,	9 74		
5.	Lydia Westbrook, for 6 mo. pension,	120 00		
	N. Bashfor, for binding books,	10 12		
	D. Coleman, for issuing commissions and filing warrants,	1 99		
	For 10 inquisitions from Burlington,	57 48		
7.	Daniel Coleman, for issuing commissions and filing warrants,	87		
12.	For two inquisitions from Monmouth	9 68		
			209	88
	D. Holmes, sheriff of Monmouth, for transporting prisoners to state prison,	11 52		
	Do. do. for bills of cost,	122 29		
	Welling Napton, for carpenter work at state prison,	60 00		
	For 12 inquisitions from Essex,	118 48		
			312	29
13.	For 5 inquisitions from Bergen,	52 21		
14.	Eunice Platt, for 6 months pension,	20 00		
	John Milledge, for attending court of Chancery.	14 00		

1830.		Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	49	247 90

1830.			Dolls.	Cts.
May 14.	By paid Samuel Paxton & Samuel Paxton & Sons, for materials furnished for building a shop at state prison,	143 04		
	G. K. Drake, for his semi-annual salary as associate justice of the Supreme Court, and for holding circuits,	730 00		
	Charles Parker, Treasurer, for his semi-annual salary,	550 00		
			1 509	25
	Peter D. Vroom, for his semi-annual salary,	1000 00		
15.	H. Lee, for blacksmith work for state prison,	124 15		
	D. Ryerson, for 1 inquisition from Sussex,	10 28		
	For advancement made school fund,	2 624 71		
18.	G. H. Ford, his semi-annual salary, and for holding 4 circuits,	670 00		
	S. L. Southard, attorney-general, his semi-annual salary,	80 00		
19.	Lydia Wood, for 6 months pension,	20 00		
			4 529	14
20.	Lydia Whitlock, for 6 months pension,	160 00		
	Zachariah Rossell, adjutant-general, his semi-annual salary,	50 00		
	Garret D. Wall, quarter-master-general, his semi-annual salary,	50 00		
	Wm. Gulick, a witness in the case of an impeachment against H. Miller,	4 00		
	John Bergen, a witness in the above cause,	5 00		
	Sundry witnesses, on the part of the state, in the above case,	245 25		
21.	Charles Ewing, chief justice, for his semi-annual salary, &c.	690 00		
			1 204	25
26.	Andrew Howell, member of court of appeals,	58 80		
	William N. Shinn do.	54 30		
	E. P. Seely do.	72 00		
	George Maxwell do.	55 20		
	Israel Townsend do.	84 00		
	Jonathan Robbins do.	61 50		
	Joseph Kaighn do.	55 80		
			441	60
	Henry Frease do.	70 50		
	David Ryerson do	64 50		
	Edward Condit do.	57 60		
	Wm. J. Emley do.	54 00		
	Nathaniel Board do.	78 00		
	James Cook do.	52 50		

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	Amount brought forward.			49 247 70
1830.			Dolls.	Cts.
July 23.	To Received three months interest on U. States stock,		16	53
	Principal of stock in full.		1 102	48
				1 119 01

1830.			Dolls.	Cts.
May 26.	By paid Amzi Dodd, member of court of appeals,	57 00		
			434	10
	F. S. Schenck, one of the managers of impeachment, &c.	50 00		
	J. C. Hornblower do.	59 00		
	L. Kirkpatrick do.	63 50		
	Stacy G. Potts do.	42 00		
	J. D. Westcott, secretary, &c.	80 00		
	J. D. Westcott, do. for bill of cost. on impeachment, &c.	27 52		
	M. C. Howe, serjeant at arms, for serving process, &c.	25 00		
			347	02
	M. C. Howe do. for serving subpœnas, &c.	47 00		
	M. C. Howe do. for 17 days attendance as door-keeper to Council, &c.	34 00		
	J. D. Westcott, for copying and recording the minutes of joint meeting,	42 32		
	William Roswell, librarian,	32 00		
	G. D. Wall, one of the commissioners relative to the use of the waters of the Delaware,	100 00		
29.	Joseph Justice, for printing the laws of the 54th Legislature,	270 00		
31.	P. F. Howell, for lumber furnished for the building of a shop at state prison.	200 00		
			725	32
June 3.	James Wilson, for his services as clerk of the court at court of appeals,	31 50		
5.	Welling Napton, for work done at the state prison,	60 00		
9.	N. Bashford, for covering laws passed by the 54th Legislature,	25 00		
	Thomas C. Sterling, per allowance made him in incidental bill,	3 25		
	Joseph D. Price, sheriff, for transporting a prisoner to state prison from Elizabethtown,	20 03		
	J. D. Price, sheriff, for amount of a taxed bill of costs.	18 35		
			158	13
15.	E. Kinsley, for 18 months pension,	60 00		
	Jeremiah Campbell, brigade-inspector, his salary,	30 00		
17.	C. C. Zabriskie, for 3 inquisitions from Bergen county.	32 57		

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1830.		Dolls	Cts.
	Amount brought forward.	50 366	91

1830.		Dolls.	Cts.	
June 17.	By paid Sheriff of Sussex county, for bringing to the state prison 2 prisoners.	34 75		
	Do. do. for two bills of cost,	59 34		
18.	Isaac Johnson, sheriff of Salem, for transporting 2 prisoners to state prison,	29 92		
	Do. do. for amt. of 2 taxed bills of costs,	30 32		
				276 90
22.	Samuel Edgar, sheriff of Middlesex, for transporting 8 prisoners to state prison,	26 00		
	Do. do. for amount of taxed costs for prosecution of said prisoners,	869 06		
	Jesse Smith, for transporting two prisoners from Gloucester county to state prison,	17 70		
	Do. do. for amount of costs for prosecution of said prisoners,	103 06		
24.	Welling Napton, for carpentering work done at state prison,	111 56		
	Daniel Coleman, for issuing commissions, &c.	13 89		
	Samuel Sibley, for printing the journal of Council,	312 00		
				1 453 27
July 1.	Samuel Edgar, sheriff of Middlesex, for transporting a prisoner to state prison,	14 01		
	Do. do. for amount of a bill of cost,	44 06		
5.	Joseph Justice, for printing the votes and proceedings of the 54th General Assembly,	494 00		
	Brigade-inspector of Warren, his salary,	30 00		
	Daniel Coleman, for issuing commissions and filing warrants,	5 48		
11.	Thomas M. Perrine, keeper of state prison, 1 quarter's salary,	200 00		
				787 55
	John T. French, clerk, do.	125 00		
	Richard Campbell, asst. keeper, do.	100 00		
	John Cunningham, do. do. do.	100 00		
	William Van Hart do do. do.	100 00		
	Thomas Neal do do. do.	75 00		
	James T. Clark, physician, do. do.	24 58		
	William McLuchan, chaplain, do.	37 50		
				562 08
	James Rhine, assistant keeper, do.	37 50		
12	Jacob Mershon, per order from Inspectors for plaster	255 94		
	Brigade Inspector of Hunterdon, his salary,	30 00		

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1830.		Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	50 366	91

1830.		Dolls. Cts.	Dolls. Cts.
July 13.	By paid Joseph Camp, Esq. sheriff of Essex, for transporting 4 prisoners to state prison,	36 98	
	Do. do. for amount of 4 bills of costs, &c.	155 02	
14.	Isaac Combs, Marshall of Trenton, for transporting a prisoner to state prison,	1 20	
	Do. do. for amount of a taxed bill of cost, &c.	35 58	
			552 17
16.	William Potts, for leather furnished at state prison,	500 00	
23.	Charles Parker, for distributing the laws and proceedings,	80 00	
	Daniel Coleman, for issuing commissions and filing warrants,	5 72	
	Elijah Ward, sheriff of Morris, for bringing 2 prisoners to state prison,	24 40	
	Do. do. for amt. of 2 taxed bills of cost for prosecution of said prisoners,	57 63	
	Brigade inspector of Morris, his salary,	30 00	
	John Milledge, serjeant at arms, for 9 days attendance as door-keeper at Court of Errors,	9 00	
			706 75
24.	James Fossett, for steam boiler and fixtures, &c. &c.	305 00	
28.	For 1 inquisition of cost from Monmouth,	2 62	
Aug. 5.	Brigade-inspector of Gloucester, his salary,	30 00	
	D. Coleman, for making marginal notes to acts of 54th Legislature,	3 87	
	D. Coleman, auditor, for three months salary and issuing commissions, &c.	13 62	
9.	Daniel Coleman, for issuing commissions and filing warrants,	87	
			355 98
11.	Stephen Lard, for loss sustained by fire at state prison.	1 47	
12.	Job Irich, for salary as brigade-inspector of Burlington,	30 00	
16.	For two inquisitions from Gloucester,	31 40	
19.	For salary of brigade-inspector of Monmouth for 1830,	30 00	
21.	D. Coleman, for issuing commissions and filing warrants,	2 11	
Sept. 1.	Isaac Shipman, sheriff of Warren, for transporting a prisoner to state prison,	22 10	
	Do. do. for amount of a taxed bill of cost,	30 96	
			148 61

1830.		Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,	50 366	91

1830.		Dolls. Cts.	Dolls. Cts.
Sept. 2.	By paid Daniel Coleman for issuing commissions, &c.	3 10	
4.	For 2 inquisitions from Hunterdon co.	8 62 1-2	
7.	For 1 do. from Monmouth,	2 62 1-2	
8.	For 8 do. from Essex,	66 20	
10.	Brigade-inspector of Somerset, his salary for 1830,	30 00	
20.	Daniel Coleman, for issuing commissions,	3 73	
29.	David Bowman, for leather furnished state prison,	148 00	
30.	Insp. of Bergen brigade, his sal'y. for 1830,	30 00	
Oct. 2.	Scudder & Reeder, for lumber furnished at state prison,	274 58	
			566 86
5.	Thomas M. Perrine, keeper of state prison, 1 quarter's salary,	200 00	
	John T. French, clerk, do. do.	125 00	
	Wm. Van Hart, assistant keeper. do.	100 00	
	Richard Campbell, do. do.	100 00	
	Jno. Cunningham do. do.	100 00	
	Thomas Neal do. do.	87 50	
	James Rhine do. do.	37 50	
	James T. Clark, physician, do. do.	18 75	
			768 75
7.	William Boswell, chaplain,	10 00	
	One inquisition from Morris,	15 06	
	2 do. from Essex,	26 35	
	For 6 months tuition of deaf and dumb in Philadelphia,	571 07	
			622 48
8.	Morgan J. Rease, for services at state prison,	10 00	
9.	For transporting 5 prisoners from Essex to state prison,	35 75	
	For 5 bills of cost for prosecution of said prisoners,	202 83	
11.	Three months salary due D. Coleman, auditor, to 30th inst.	12 50	
13.	Sarah Wood, for 6 months pension up to 1st inst.	20 00	
15.	Sheriff of Somerset, for transporting 4 prisoners to state prison,	24 82	
	Do. do. for 4 taxed bills of cost,	120 83	
16.	Caleb Newbold, commissioner, per warrant from the Governor,	105 00	
			531 73
	Caleb Newbold, per allowance in incidental bill, passed in March last,	7 50	

DR. *Charles Parker, Treasurer.*

1830.			Dolls.	Cts.
	Amount brought forward,		50 366	91
Oct. 8.	To recrived of school fund, for advancement made, &c.		392	20
18.	Do. of school fund for do.	1 371 47		
	Do. of Governor, for Pedlars' licence for 1830.	807 00		
			2 178	47
			52 937	58
Oct. 26.	To a balance in the treasury, this day, on settlement,		7 146	38

Errors excepted.

CHARLES PARKER, Treasurer.

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1830.			Dolls.	Cts.
Oct. 16.	For tuition of deaf and dumb in New-York institution,	213 33		
	Sheriff of Morris, for transportation of a prisoner to state prison,	21 16		
	Do. do. for amount of taxed bill of cost,	16 53		
18.	John Milledge, serjeant at arms,	8 00		
23.	Charles Parker, treasurer, for six months salary up to 12th of Nov. next,	550 00		
	G. K. Drake, associate justice, &c. for his semi-annual salary, and holding circuits,	700 00		
	Daniel Coleman, for issuing commissions and filing warrants.	5 83		
			1 522	35
	Balance due per contra		7 146	38
			52 937	58

WE, the committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle with the Treasurer of the State, having examined his accounts, and the vouchers relative thereto, do find them correctly stated. The balance in the hands of the Treasurer they find to be seven thousand one hundred and forty-six dollars and thirty-eight cents.

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Trenton, October 26, 1830.

Dr. *General Charges to Sundry Accounts.*

1830.				Dolls.	Cts.
Oct. 27.	To balance on hand,			9	022 38
	Taxes—Received for quotas from the several counties,	40	000 00		
	Interest Account—Amount of account,		49 59		
	Insurance Companies—Five per cent on premiums,		192 46		
	Loan Office—Amt. Reimbursed,	1	102 48		
				41	344 53
	School Fund—Amt. of acct.	3	141 25		
	Pedlars' License—Received for,		807 00		
	Bills Receivable—Amount of account,	1	150 00		
				5	078 25
				55	445 16
Oct. 26.	To balance,			7	146 38

Errors excepted.

CHARLES PARKER, Treasurer.

1830.			Dolls.	Cts.
School fund transferred to school fund,		2 624 71		
Yet due the state,		1 357 58		
Deaf and Dumb—Amount of act.		1 504 40		
State Library—Amt. of account,		10 12		
Salaries—Amount of account,		7 261 66		
Jurisdiction—Amount of account,		917 33		
Pensions—Amount of account,		600 00		
			14 275	80
Incidentals—Amount of account,		1 755 88		
Legislature—Amount of account,		15 430 54		
Printing—Amount of account,		1 181 00		
Inquisitions—Amount of account,		1 011 50		
Militia—Amount of account,		427 36		
State Prison—Amount of account,		5 632 25		
			25 438	53
Transportation and criminal prosecutions—Amount of account,		2 738 35		
State—Amount of account,		2 696 10		
Appropriations—Amount of account,		2 000 00		
Bills receivable—Due from Thomas Gordon,	1 000			
Due from Presbyterian Congregation at Paterson,	150			
		1 150 00		
Balance		7 146 38		
			15 730	63
			55 445	16

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Trenton, October 27, 1830.

Dr. *Charles Parker, Treasurer, in Account Current with the*

1829.				Dolls.	Cts.
Oct. 27.	To a balance on settlement this day,			5	75
1830.					
Jan. 1.	Tax due this day from Commercial Bank of New-Jersey,	150	00		
	Do. from State Bank at Elizabeth,	662	75		
2.	Tax due 1st inst. from Newark Banking and Insurance Company,	1 750	00		
	Do. from State Bank at Newark,	1 400	00		
4.	On account of 3 months interest due on U. States Stocks 1st inst.	1 743	42		
	Received on account of principal of 6 per cent stock of 1815,	21 637	82		
				27	343 99
	Tax due 1st inst. from the Trenton Banking Company,	1 073	70		
5.	Do. from the Farmers' Bank of N. Jersey,	500	00		
8.	Do. from the Cumberland Bank,	260	12		
23.	Do. from the State Bank at Morris,	392	20		
Feb. 9.	For 6 months interest on Penn.state stock,	1 875	00		
	Received balance of principal of 6 per cent stock of 1815,	2 948	40		
				7	049 42
	Do. of interest on 6 per cent stock of 1815,	44	22		
April 24.	For interest due 1st inst. on 4 1-2 per cent stock,	1 418	86		
	For semi-annual dividend on Trenton Bk. stock, declared 1st inst.	159	60		
26.	Tax due from People's Bank at Paterson, 1st of Jan. last,	375	00		
	Do. do. State Bank at Camden.	1 500	00		
May. 7.	Do. do. Salem Banking Company.	150	00		
				3	647 68
15.	Received from the State, in anticipation of income,	2 624	71		
July 23.	3 months interest on 4 1-2 per cent stock, due 1st inst.	1 418	86		
	Semi-annual dividend on Trenton Bk. stk.	159	60		
31.	For tax due 1st of Jan. last from N. Brunswick Bank,	450	00		
	Do. do. State Bank at N. Brunswick,	440	00		
				5	093 17
	Do. do Washington Bank,	467	30		
	Do. do. Sussex Bank,	137	50		
	Do. do. Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank, Rahway,	150	00		
	Do.do. Orange Bank,	250	00		
				1	004 80

1830.			Dolls.	Cts.
Jan. 7.	By paid collector of Bergen county, for use of common schools for 1829,	1 299 92		
16.	Do. of Essex do.	1 911 03		
Feb. 3.	Do. of Monmouth do.	1 861 83		
10.	Do. Burlington do.	2 153 56		
Mch. 9.	Jno. Bell & Co. for $7000 of Penn. state stock, 104 per cent,	7 280 00		
	Collector of Morris county, for use of common schools for 1829,	1 568 01		
			16 074	35
April 14.	Do. of Sussex do. 1829–30,	2 025 70		
20.	Do. Gloucester do. 1829,	1 689 63		
21.	Do. Morris do. 1830,	1 568 01		
23.	Do. Cumberland do. 1829,	793 09		
	Do. Middlesex do. 1829–30,	3 253 36		
			9 329	79
24.	Do. Essex do. 1830,	1 911 03		
May 3.	Burlington do. 1830,	2 153 56		
5	Cumberland do. 1830,	793 09		
6.	Gloucester do. do.	1 689 63		
7.	Salem county do. 1829–30,	2 156 60		
11	Monmouth do. 1830,	1 861 83		
			10 565	74
15	Somerset do. 1829–30,	2 642 86		
	Hunterdon county do. do.	4 535 84		
19	Warren county do. do.	2 185 50		
June 16	Bergen county do. 1830,	1 299 92		
July 13	Cape May county do. 1829–30,	646 00		
			11 310	12
Oct. 13	State, on account,	392 20		
18	State, on account,	1 371 47		
			1 763	67
			49 043	67

Errors excepted.

CHARLES PARKER, Treasurer.

DR. *Charles Parker, Treasurer.*

1830.			Dolls.	Cts.
Aug. 4.	Six months interest on Pennsylvania state stock, to 1st inst.	2 050 00		
Oct. 7.	Four quarter yearly dividends up to 1st inst. of Newark Turnpike Stock,	1 250 00		
8.	3 mo. interest on 4 1-2 per cent stock, to 1st instant,	1 418 86		
	Two semi-annual dividends on Sussex Bk. stock, to 1st Aug. last,	60 00		
	Two do. Cumberland Bank stock, to 1st July last,	120 00		
			4 898	86
			49 043	67

We the committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle with the Treasurer of the State, having examined the within account, do find the same correctly stated and balanced.

ELIAS P. SEELEY,
WM. N. SHINN,
} Committee of Council.

JOSEPH JACKSON,
AUGUSTUS W. BENNET,
SAMUEL BLACK,
ZACCHEUS RAY,
EDWARD S. McILVAINE,
} Committee of the House of Assembly.

Trenton, October 26, 1830.

A Recapitulation of the Support of Free Schools, October 26, 1830.	Receipts since Oct. 27, 1829.	Disbursements since Octob. 27, 1829.	Stocks purchas'd since 27th October, 1829, with the same kind on hand at that time	Total amount of stocks and property of which the fund consists.
4 1-2 per cent. stock of the United States on hand, 27th Oct. 1829,				126 122 50
Received 1 year's interest up to 1st October, 1830,	$5 675 44			
Jan. 1, 1830—Received the principal of the U. S. 6 per ct. stock of 1815,	24 586 22			
Received 3 months interest on last mentioned stock,	368 78			
5 per cent Pennsylvania state stock on hand 27th Oct. 1829,			75 000 00	
Do. do. do. purchased March 9th, 1830,			7 000 00	82 000 00
Received 1 year's interest on the first sum, and 6 months on the last, up to the 1st day of August last,	3 925 00			
March 9th—Paid for $7000 of Pennsylvania state stock,		7 280 00		
250 shares of Newark Turnpike stock, on hand Oct. 27, 1829,				12 500 00
Received for 4 quarter year dividends, of 2 1-2 per cent. each,	1 250 00			
133 shares of Trenton Bank stock, on hand 27th Oct. 1829,				3 990 00
Received 2 semi-annual dividends, up to 1st July, 1830,	319 20			
40 shares of Cumberland Bank stock, on hand Oct. 27, 1829,				2 000 00
Received 2 semi-annual dividends up to 1st of July, 1830,	100 20			
20 shares of Sussex Bank stock on hand October 27th, 1830,				1000 00
Received 2 semi-annual dividends to 1st August, 1830,	60 00			
Received from the state funds in anticipation of income, &c.	2 624 71			
Received for Bank Tax due 1st January, 1830,	10 108 57			
Received for a debt due from Sussex Bank, Oct. 27, 1830,	5 00			
Received for a debt due from State Bank at Elizabeth, October 27, 1830,	75			
Paid the several counties in the state of New-Jersey, for their apportionment of common school monies for 1829 and 30,		40 000 00		
Paid the state of New-Jersey for, or on account of, money borrowed,		1 763 67		

Amount of stocks in fund,				227 612 50
Deduct amount--Due the state for balance of money borrowed, &c.				1 357 58
Total value of school fund 26th October, 1830,				226 254 92
Total amount of receipts since 27th October, 1829,		49 043 67		
Total amount of DISBURSEMENTS since 27th October, 1829,			49 043 67	
October 26, 1830—The nett amount of school fund this day,		226 254 92		
October 27, 1829—Nett amount of fund after deducting the appropriation for common schools for 1829, and a debt due state,		224 907 93		
October 26, 1830—Nett gain of school fund for 1 year past, after deducting all charges upon it,		1 346 99		
Amount due the state, October 27, 1829,	496 54			
Amount borrowed of state since,	2 624 71			
Total amount,	3 121 25			
Paid the state on account,	1 763 67			
Due state,	1 357 58			

We the committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle with the Treasurer of the state, having examined the foregoing statement, and compared it with the evidences relating thereto, do find it, in all things, correct. The nominal amount of the property of the fund at this time, after deducting all claims upon it, we find to be two hundred and twenty-six thousand two hundred and fifty-four dollars and ninety-two cents.

ELIAS P. SEELEY,
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Which report, and documents accompanying the same were ordered to lie on the table.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to empower Peter Merkel and William Hunt, administrators, &c. of Jacob Emmons, deceased, to execute a contract made by the said Jacob with Abraham Smith, for the sale of a house and lot of land in the township of Stillwater, in the county of Sussex,"

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered a third reading.

The consideration of the resolution appended to the report of the joint committee, relative to a subscription to the capital stock of the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company, was resumed, when the same was ordered to be posponed until this afternoon.

Mr. Kline presented a memorial, containing proposals, from the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The report of the joint committee on the Treasurer's Accounts, was taken up, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said report to Council, and inform them that the House had agreed to the same.

Mr. Black offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly is ready to go into a joint meeting, for the purpose of appointing a Treasurer, Librarian and such other civil and military officers, as may be deemed necessary in the several counties of this state, and request council to appoint the time and place of the said meeting;

Which was read and agreed to.

Mr. McDowell presented a remonstrance from the President and Directors of the Bordentown and South Amboy Turnpike Co. relative to the repeal of a certain law, concerning a bridge over South River;

Read and referred to the committee on that subject.

Ordered, that Messrs. J. F. Randolph and Lippincott be added to said committee.

The bill relative to acknowledgements and proof of conveyances, was read a second time, when

On motion, the first section of the same was ordered to be stricken out.

Ordered, That the said bill be dismissed.

Mr. McChesney offered the following preamble and resolutions;

Whereas certain documents have been transmitted to this House by his excellency, the Governor of this state, from the Legislatures of Louisiana, Ohio, Delaware and Kentucky, for the purpose of ascertaining the views and opinions of New-Jersey, relative to the expediency and constitutionality of the existing tariff laws of the United States—

1. *Resolved*, By the General Assembly of this State of New-Jersey, That it is a constitutional exercise of power in Congress, to protect the Manufactures of the United States, from the overwhelming influence of foreign rivalry, by imports and restrictions on the goods, wares and merchandise of other nations.

2. *Resolved*, That in the opinion of this House, it is highly expedient, that Congress should give every encouragement to the industry and enterprise of the citizens of these United States, by restrictions on articles that come in competition with those of our happy country.

3. *Resolved*, That the Governor of this state transmit a copy of the foregoing resolutions to each of the Governors of the several states of the United States, with the request that the same be laid before their respective Legislatures: and, also, to forward copies of the same, to each of our senators and representatives in Congress:

Which were read and ordered to lie on the table.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

The bill to incorporate the Atlantic Rail Road Company was taken up and considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council by Mr. Westcott their Secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act establishing an Independent Regiment of Field Artillery in the county of Sussex," without amendment; And that Council had approved of the report of the Joint Committee appointed to settle the Treasurer's accounts; Also that Council would be ready to go into Joint Meeting for the appointment of Treasurer, Librarian, and such other civil and military officers as may be deemed necessary in the several counties of this state, at ten o'clock to-morrow morning in the Assembly room.

Ordered, That the House proceed to make their nominations for Joint Meeting.

The House having gone through their nominations, the same were read over.

Ordered, That a duplicate list of the same be sent to Council.

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock. A. M.

SATURDAY Nov. 6, 1830.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

James West, a member elect from the county of Monmouth appeared, produced his certificate, was qualified and took his seat.

Mr. Kline presented a petition from the township committee and overseers of the poor of the township of Warren, in Somerset county, relative to lands owned by certain paupers, which was read and referred to Mess. Kline, Barton and Wilson.

Mr. A. Cruser presented a petition from inhabitants of New-Brunswick for a law to incorporate the New-Brunswick Steamboat and Canal Transportation company;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. A. Cruser, Schenck and Ewing.

Mr. W. Cruser presented the abstract of ratables from the co. of Somerset:

Ordered to lie on the table.

The bill from council entitled, "An act to empower Peter Merkel and William Hunt, administrators, &c. of Jacob Emmons, dec'd. to execute a contract made by the said Jacob with Abraham Smith, for the sale of a house and lot of land, in the township of Stillwater in the county of Sussex,"

Was read a third time, and on the question, shall this bill pass, it was decided in the affirmative, unanimously.

Ordered that the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform council that the house have passed said bill without amendment.

The nominations made in council were received and read.

Ordered, That the clerk inform council that the house is now ready to go into Joint Meeting.

The council came into the assembly room, when the two houses went into Joint-Meeting.

Having gone through with their appointments, the Joint Meeting rose and the house came to order.

Ordered, That when this house adjourns, they do adjourn till Monday morning next, 10 o'clock.

House adjourned till Monday, November 8th. at ten o'clock. A.M.

MONDAY, November 8, 1830.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

Mr. Lippincott presented a petition from the devisees and legatees of Daniel Bates, dec'd, for a law to carry into effect the will of said deceased;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Lippincott, West and Howey.

Mr. Ray presented abstract of ratables from the county of Salem:

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ellis presented a petition from owners of the Manasquan ledges in the county of Monmouth ;

Read and referred to Messrs. Ellis, Summerill and Stratton.

Mr. Howey, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill for the relief of Hugh Aggings ;

Which bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill to divide the township of Aquackanonk, was read a second time, and, on motion, the same was ordered to be postponed to the next sitting of the Legislature.

No. 8. of unfinished business, "An act to clear the channel of the river Pequest, in the county of Warren," was committed to Messrs. Valentine, Baldwin and Hull.

A message from council by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the house that council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to authorize trustees therein named, to sell certain real estate of John Souder, deceased," without amendment ; Also, the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act for the support of the government of this state," without amendment.

Mr. Kline from the committee for that subject, reported a bill to defray incidental charges ;

Which was read and ordered a second reading:

And the rule upon that subject having been dispensed. said bill was read a second time, and considered by item, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. A. Cruser from the committee on that subject, reported a bill for the incorporation of the New-Brunswick Steamboat and Canal Transportation company ;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Jackson presented a security bond from Charles Parker, Treasurer of the State,

Which was read and approved.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bond to council for their approval.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to defray incidental charges,"

Was read a third time and compared,

And on the question, shall this bill pass ?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

YEAS.

Messrs.	Armstrong,	Messrs.	Merkel,
	Barton,		McChesney,
	Baldwin,		McIlvaine,
	Black,		McKoy.

Messrs. Campion,	Messrs. Nelson,
Clifford,	Ray,
A. Cruser,	L. Randolph,
W. Cruser,	J. Randolph,
Davis,	Reeves,
Deacon,	Shackelton,
Demarest,	Smith,
Ellis,	Stokes,
Hancock,	Stratton,
Howey,	Summerill,
Hull,	Terhune,
Ireland,	Valentine,
Kline,	Van Riper,
Lippincott,	Ward,
Marshall,	Wilson,
Meeker,	Wurts, speaker—41
Monro,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Barrett, Jackson—2

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The resolution reported by the joint committee of Council and Assembly, relating to a subscription to the capital stock of the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company,

Was again taken up for consideration, when, on motion, the same was ordered to the postponed.

Mr. Kline offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the documents accompanying the Governor's Message from the state of Connecticut, relative to the constitution of the U. States, be referred to a select committee;

Which was read and agreed to, and Messrs. Kline, Van Riper and Marshall appointed.

The resolutions offered by Mr. McChesney, on Friday last, in relation to the tariff laws, were taken up for consideration, when, on motion, the same were ordered to be postponed.

Mr. Armstrong offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the resolutions from the states of Louisiana, Delaware, Ohio and Kentucky, communicated by his excellency the Governor, on the constitutionality and expediency of the existing tariff laws, be referred to a select committee;

Which was read and agreed to, and Messrs. Armstrong, Jackson and McChesney appointed.

Ordered, That the resolutions which were offered by Mr. McChesney, on the same subject, be referred to the same committee.

Ordered, That when this House adjourn, they do adjourn to 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The House adjourned till eight o'clock, Tuesday, Nov. 9th.

TUESDAY, November 9, 1831.

Eight o'clock, A. M. House met.

Mr. Davis presented petitions from the county of Monmouth, for a law authorising the construction of a canal to connect Barnagat Bay with Squan river;

Which were read and referred to Messrs. Davis, Ireland and L. Randolph.

The resolution reported by the joint committee of Council and Assembly, relating to a subscription, on the part of the state, to the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company,

Was again taken up for consideration, when, on motion, the same was ordered to be postponed, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Barton,	Messrs. McKoy,
Baldwin,	Monro,
Clifford,	Nelson,
A. Cruser,	Ray,
W. Cruser,	L. Randolph,
Davis,	J. Randolph,
Deacon,	Shackelton,
Demarest,	Smith,
Hancock,	Summerill,
Hull,	Terhune,
Marshall,	Van Riper,
Meeker,	Ward,
McIlvaine,	Wilson—26

NAYS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Leaming,
Barrett,	Lippincott,
Black,	Merkel,
Campion,	McChesney,
Ellis,	Reeves,
Ewing,	Stokes,
Howey,	Stratton,
Ireland,	Wurts, speaker—16

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the

House that Council had approved of the bond given by the Treasurer of this state:

And that the Council had appointed Messrs. Green and Shinn a committee, on their part, to join such committee as may be appointed by the House of Assembly, to take into consideration the subject of a communication addressed to the Vice President of Council, and the speaker of the House of Assembly, by Littleton Kirkpatrick, Esq. relating to the appointment of Andrew Kirkpatrick, Esq. to revise the laws respecting the Orphans' Court,

And to report thereon:

Also, that Council had passed the bill, from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to defray incidental charges," without amendment.

Mr. Jackson presented a memorial from inhabitants of the township of Pequannock, in the county of Morris, for a division of said township:

Read and referred to Messrs. Jackson, Demarest and Meeker.

Mr. A. Cruser offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Treasurer of the state be authorised to procure stationary, wood, and any other articles necessary for the use of Council and Assembly during the future sittings of this Legislature;

And that Samuel B. Scattergood be appointed to take charge of the State House and yard:

Which was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That Messrs. Armstrong, Black and Bennet be a committee, on the part of this House, on the subject of a communication from L. Kirkpatrick, Esq. addressed to the Vice President of Council and speaker of the House of Assembly.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council of the appointment of the foregoing committee.

Mr. Davis offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House do authorise the Governor to subscribe for the one-fourth part of the capital stock of the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company;

Which was read and postponed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the joint resolution authorising a subscription, on the part of the state, of the one-fourth part of the capital stock of the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company, to which they request the assent of the House of Assembly.

The engrossed joint resolution from Council, authorising a subscription to the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company,

Was read, and ordered a second reading.

The rule having been dispensed with, said resolution was read a second time, and on the question of a third reading, the same was refused by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Campion,
Barrett,	Deacon,
Black,	Ellis.

Messrs. Ewing,
Hancock
Howey,
Jackson,
Ireland,
Kline,
Leaming,
Lippincott.
Messrs. Merkel,
McChesney,
McKoy,
Reeves,
Stokes,
Stratton,
Wurts, speaker—21

NAYS.

Messrs. Barton,
Baldwin,
Bennet,
Clifford,
A. Cruser,
W. Cruser,
Davis,
Hull,
Marshall,
Meeker,
Mellvaine,
Monro,
Messrs. Nelson,
Ray,
L. Randolph,
J. Randolph,
Schenck,
Shackelton,
Smith,
Summerill,
Terhune,
Van Riper,
Ward,
Wilson—24

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have disagreed to said resolution.

Mr. Summerill presented a memorial from the citizens of Salem county, relative to the Salem and Philadelphia Manufacturing Company:

Read and referred to Messrs. Summerill, Deacon and Kline.

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, they do adjourd to Wednesday the 5th day of January next.

The House adjourned to Wednesday the 5th day of January next, 1831.

ADJOURNED SITTING.

WEDNESDAY, January 5, 1831.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

PURSUANT TO ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ewing, the House opened with prayer, by the Rev. Mr. Hancock, of Morris.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have met, pursuant to adjournment, formed a quorum, and have proceeded to business.

Mr. Van Riper presented a petition from certain inhabitants of the township of Elizabeth, in the county of Essex, praying to be separated from said township, and to be attached to the township of Union;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Van Riper, Monro and Terhune.

The bill to divide the township of Aquackanonk,

Was read a second time, when on motion, the same was ordered to be postponed.

Mr. Barrett presented a memorial from sundry inhabitants of the county of Cumberland, praying for an alteration in the law for the suppression of vice and immorality;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Barrett, Stokes, and Marshall.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had this day met, pursuant to adjournment, formed a quorum, and proceeded to business.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, January 6, 1831.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

Mr. McChesney presented a petition from Samuel Stout, for a law to authorise the representatives of David Maple, deceased, to convey certain real estate;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. McChesney, McKoy and Shackelton.

Mr. Valentine presented a petition from Wm. McCullough, Henry Hankinson and others, for a law authorising Henry Hankinson to convey certain real estate;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Valentine, Barton and Reeves.

Mr. Ellis announced to the House the death of his colleague, James West, Esq. and offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That as a testimony of respect, by the House of Assembly, for the death of James West, Esq. the members each wear crape on their left arms for the space of thirty days;

Which was read and agreed to.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from Wm. Demund, of the county of Hunterdon;

Which was read and committed to Messrs. McIlvaine, Kline and Lewis S. Randolph.

The bill for the relief of Aaron Dodd, Samuel Dodd and Hiram Dodd,

Was read a second time,

When, on motion, the same was ordered to be postponed.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock House met.

The Speaker laid before the House the statements from the Washington Banking Company at Hackensack, and the People's Bank of Paterson, made in conformity with the provisions of their charter.

Which were read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Van Riper, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of inhabitants of Elizabeth Township, in Essex county,

Reported by bill;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill for the relief of Aaron Dodd, Sam'l. Dodd, and Hiram Dodd, having been read a second time, the same was gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, January 7, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Messrs. Hancock and Barton severally presented remonstrances from their respective counties, against the existing law establishing medical societies, and praying for a modification of the same;

Which were read and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. A. Cruser presented a petition from inhabitants of Middlesex and Somerset, for a law to alter and establish the boundary line between the said counties,

Which was read and referred to Messrs. A. Cruser, W. Cruser, and Davis.

Mr. Howey presented a petition from inhabitants of Gloucester county, praying for the repeal of part of the 18th section of the act making provision for carrying into effect the act for the punishment of crimes, passed February 23, 1829;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Black presented a petition from John Salter, a revolutionary soldier, for relief;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Black, Wilson and Nelson.

Mr. Meeker presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Essex, praying for the passage of a law relative to certain obstructions in the Passaic river, and its branches;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Meeker, Hancock and Ward.

Mr. Valentine, from the committee to whom was committed No. 22. of unfinished business, "A bill to incorporate the Mansfield Aqueduct Company,"

Reported by bill,

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill to incorporate the New-Brunswick Steam Boat and Canal Transportation Company,

Was read a second time, and, while under consideration, the same was, on motion, ordered to be postponed.

Mr. Kline offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire whether any, and if any, what alterations are necessary in the existing laws concerning deer and other game, with leave to report by bill;

Which was read and agreed to, and Messrs. Kline, Hull and Ellis appointed.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Hancock presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Hanover township, in the county of Morris, for a law to authorise the enclosure of certain lands situate in said township;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Hancock, Merkel and J. F. Randolph.

Mr. Van Riper presented a remonstrance from inhabitants of Elizabeth township, in Essex county, against annexing part of said township to the township of Union;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. McDowell presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Middlesex. for a reduction of the expenses of the state government:

Which was read and referred to Messrs. McDowell, Campion and Baldwin.

Mr. Reeves, from the committee to whom was committed No. 5. of unfinished business, "An act to amend the Judicial System of this State,"

Reported by bill;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Aaron Dodd, Samuel Dodd, and Hiram Dodd,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question, shall this bill pass? it was decided in the affirmative unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill to incorporate the New-Brunswick Steam-boat and Canal Transportation Company,

Was taken up and considered by section, and orderedto be engrossed for a third reading.

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, they do adjourn to Monday morning next, January 10th, at 10 o'clock.

Ordered, That leave be given to the members of the committee from this House, on the State Prison accounts, to withdraw from their seats, for the purpose of attending to the business of the committee.

Adjourned to Monday morning next, 10 o'clock, A. M.

MONDAY, January 10, 1831.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

Mr. Smith presented a petition from inhabitants of Newark, for a law authorising the establishment of a Bank at that place, to be called the Mechanics' Bank of Newark;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Smith, Demarest and Leaming.

Mr. Meeker, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to enable the owners of low lands and meadows adjoining the great ditch, to clear the same;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Valentine, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of William McCullough, Henry Hankinson and others, for a law to convey certain real estate,

Reported by bill,

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Lippincott, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the heirs of Daniel Bates,

Reported by bill,

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Jackson presented a petition from certain persons, inhabitants of Perth Amboy, for a lease of certain oyster grounds;

Which was read, and referred to Messrs Jackson, A. Cruser, and Stratton.

The engrossed bill, entitled an "Act to incorporate the New-Brunswick Steam-boat and Canal Transportation Company,"

Was called up for consideration, when, on motion, the same was postponed.

The bill for the relief of Hugh Aggings,

Was taken up, read a second time, and considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the "Washington Aqueduct Company,"

Was read a second time, when, on motion, the same was ordered to be postponed.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, January 11, 1831.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the Treasurer of this State, containing the statement of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Rahway—a statement from Samuel Pennington, Esq. agent of the State lands at Paterson, and a report, in detail, from the same;

Which were read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Valentine, from the committee to whom was referred No. 8. of unfinished business, "An act to clear the river Pequest and its branches in the co. of Warren,"

Reported by bill,

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Kline, from the committee to whom was referred the memorial of Wm. Demund, made the following report:

That the provision contained in the second section of an Act of the Legislature, entitled an act to authorise the Treasurer of this state to receive certain monies due from the United States, and also to authorise the said Treasurer to pay the State debt, passed at Trenton, February 13, 1797, is a sufficient authority for the Treasurer of this State to pay off, under the limitation therein contained, two certificates signed by Nathaniel Hunt, commissioner, in favor of William Demund, £2 4 2 principal, with £1 7 9 interest, dated first day of May, 1784, and numbered 89 and 114, and that no further provision by law is necessary;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act for the relief of Hugh Aggings,"

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. McChesney,
Barton,	McIlvaine,
Barret,	Nelson,
Black,	Ray,
Campion,	L. Randolph,
Clifford,	J. Randolph,
W. Cruser.	Reeves,
Deacon,	Shackelton,
Hillard.	Smith,
Howey,	Summerill,
Hull,	Valentine,
Kline,	Van Riper,
Leaming,	Wilson,
Marshall,	Wurts, speaker—29
Merkel,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Meeker,
Bennet,	McDowell,
A. Cruser.	McKoy,
Davis,	Monro,
Demarest,	Schenck,
Ewing,	Stokes,
Hancock,	Stratton,
Jackson,	Terhune—16

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

Mr. Smith presented a petition from certain inhabitants of the town of Newark, relative to an alteration in the law authorising the draining of the low grounds in said town;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Smith, Clifford and Terhune.

The bill to incorporate the Washington Aqueduct Company, having been read a second time, the same was considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The engrossed bill, entitled "A supplement to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company," passed Feb. 4, 1830,

Was read a third time, and compared, when, on motion to postpone the same, was negatived by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Davis,
Baldwin,	Deacon,
Black,	Demarest,

Messrs. Hillard.
Howey,
Jackson,
Leaming,
Lippincott,
Merkel,
McChesney,
Messrs. Dowell.
McKoy,
Monro,
Reeves,
Shackelton,
Stratton,
Ward—20

NAYS.

Messrs. Barton,
Barrett,
Bennet,
Campion,
Clifford,
A. Cruser,
W. Cruser,
Ewing,
Hancock,
Hull,
Kline,
Marshall,
Meeker,
McIlvaine,
Messrs. Nelson,
Ray,
L. Randolph,
J. Randolph,
Schenck,
Smith,
Summerill,
Stokes,
Terhune,
Valentine,
Van Riper,
Wilson,
Wurts, speaker—27

Whereupon the question being put,
Shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Barton,
Barrett,
Bennet,
Clifford,
A. Cruser,
W. Cruser,
Ewing,
Hancock,
Hull,
Kline,
Marshall,
Meeker,
Messrs. McIlvaine,
McKoy,
Nelson,
Ray,
L. Randolph,
Schenck,
Smith,
Summerill,
Terhune,
Valentine,
Wilson,
Wurts, speaker—24

NAYS.

Messrs. Armstrong,
Baldwin,
Black.
Messrs. Campion,
Davis,
Deacon.

Messrs. Demarest,
Hillard,
Howey,
Jackson,
Leaming,
Lippincott,
Merkel,
McChesney,
McDowell,
Messrs. Monro,
J. Randolph,
Reeves,
Shackelton,
Stokes,
Stratton,
Van Riper,
Ward—23

Adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Howey presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Woolwich Township, county of Gloucester, for an alteration in the law respecting certain low lands and meadows in said township;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Howey, Ray and Stokes.

Mr. Ellis presented a petition from Samuel Bent, for a divorce from his wife Rachael;

Which was read, and referred to Messrs. Ellis, Ewing and Jackson.

Mr. Hancock presented a petition from Nancy D. Gardner, for a divorce from her husband;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Kline presented a petition from inhabitants of Somerset county, relative to the equalization of taxes:

Read and referred to the committee to bring in a tax bill.

Mr. Smith, from the committee to whom was referred the petition for a bank at Newark,

Reported by bill,

Which was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. A. Cruser, from committee on that subject, reported a bill to re-settle and establish the boundary line between the counties of Middlesex and Somerset:

Which was read and ordered to a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Ewing, from the joint committee of Council and Assembly, to settle the accounts of the State prison, reported that the joint committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle the accounts of the State Prison, after a careful examination of the accounts submitted to them, respectfully Report—

A GENERAL STATEMENT.

DR. *The State Prison in Account Current with the State of New-Jersey,*

FOR THE YEAR COMMENCING OCT. 1, 1829, AND CLOSING SEPT. 30, 1830.

		Dolls.	Cts.
1829. Oct. 1.	To amount of nett stock this day to begin with,	6 591	56
1830. Sept. 30.	Amount of balance due sundry persons,	1 456	92 1-4
	Amount drawn from the Treasury,	2 596	61 3-4
		10 645	10
	Balance per contra.	2 071	71 1-2

A GENERAL STATEMENT.

The State Prison in Account Current with the State of New-Jersey, Cr.

FOR THE YEAR COMMENCING OCT. 1, 1829, AND CLOSING SEPT. 30, 1830.

1830.		Dolls.	Cts.
Sept. 30.	By amount of inventories,	4 586	85
	Amount of balances due from sundry persons,	3 712	27 3-4
	Amount of cash on hand, see Ledger O, folio 126,	274	25 3-4
	Amount of balance, it being the nett loss,	2 071	71 1-2
		10 645	10

Dr. **RECAPITULATION,**

AS RESULTING FROM THE PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

1830.		Dolls.	Cts.
Sept. 30.	To amount of sundries,	424	17
	PROVISION ACCOUNT,		
	Per nett loss,	1 637	15 1-4
	CLOTHING ACCOUNT,		
	Per nett loss,	503	38
	INCIDENTALS,		
	Per nett loss,	584	24 1-4
	FURNITURE ACCOUNT,		
	Per nett loss,	492	39 3-4
	FUEL ACCOUNT,		
	Per nett loss,	583	54
	NAIL FACTORY,		
	Per nett loss,	231	20 1-2
	PRISON REPAIRS.		
	Per nett loss,	2 182	54 3-4
		6 643	63 1-2
	Balance per contra,	2 071	71 1-2

RECAPITULATION, Cr.

AS RESULTING FROM THE PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT.

1830.		Dolls.	Cts.
Sept. 30.	By WEAVING ACCOUNT,		
	Per nett proceeds,	1 836	32
	CORDWAINER'S ACCOUNT,		
	Per nett proceeds,	1 499	92 1-2
	SUNDRY ACCOUNTS,		
	Per nett proceeds,	521	88 3-4
	STONE SAWING ACCOUNT,		
	Per nett proceeds,	239	42 1-4
	PLASTER ACCOUNT,		
	Per nett proceeds,	374	63
	COOPERING ACCOUNT,		
	Per nett proceeds,	55	45 1-2
	INTEREST ACCOUNT		
	Per nett proceeds,	44	28
	Amount of balance, it being the nett loss.	2 071	71 1-2
		6 643	63 1-2

REMARKS.

It would appear, from the above statement, that the loss sustained in the operations of the State Prison, for one year ending on the first day of October, 1830, was 2 071 71 1-2

Add to this the salaries of the keeper, assistants, clerk, guard, physician, and chaplain, 3 178 75

Making, in the whole, 5 250 46 1-2

But it must be remembered, and it is no more than justice to state, that the following items are not to be considered as ordinary expenses of 1830. Say the amount expended in making a new building for a work shop, 2 182 54

Amount paid for new looms and gearing, in place of the former looms and gearing destroyed by fire, 416 17

2 598 71

Then it will be necessary, for the purpose of doing equal justice between the operations of different years, to give 1830 a credit of 494 dollars, being a loss sustained on the appraisement, in taking articles at their real value, 494 00

Also a credit of 600 dollars—a loss of three months labor of the prisoners, actually sustained by their being thrown out of employ, owing to the destruction

of work shops and fixtures, 600 00

3 692 71

Therefore, if we deduct 3 692 71 from 5 250 46 1-2, it will leave a balance of $1 557 75 1-2 as the actual loss sustained by the State Prison operations, for one year ending the first day of October last.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

THOMAS CAPNER,
GEORGE DEACON,
ROB'T. L. ARMSTRONG,
SAMUEL S. WRIGHT,
FER'D. S. SCHENCK,
W. B. EWING,
JOHN T. McDOWELL.

Trenton, January 11, 1831.

Which report was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to annex part of the township of Elizabeth, in the county of Essex, to the township of Union, in said county,

Was read a second time, when, on motion, the same was postponed.

The bill to amend the Judicial System of this State,

Was read a second time,

When the same was ordered to be postponed.

The bill to enable the owners and possessors of low lands and swamps adjoining Great Ditch to clear the same,

Was read a second time, and postponed.

The bill to authorise Henry Hankinson, trustee of Keturah M. Sloan and Eliza B. Rusling, to convey certain real estate,

Was read a second time and considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to authorise trustees therein named, to sell certain real estate of Daniel Bates, deceased,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed a bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the Cumberland Beneficial Society of Cumberland county;" Also,

A bill entitled "An act to enable the owners of lands adjoining Dismal Brook, to open and clear the same, within the limits therein mentioned;"

To which bills the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

Said bills were then read, and severally ordered to second readings, when the House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

Ordered, That leave be given to withdraw the papers relating to the application of Nancy Gardner for a divorce.

Mr. Barton presented a memorial from Catharine Salter, for a law to vest in her the fee simple of certain real estate;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Barton, Kline, and Hillard.

Mr. W. Cruser presented a petition from Jonathan W. Miller, for a divorce from his wife; and

Mr. Kline presented a remonstrance from the wife of the said Jonathan W. Miller;

Which were both read, when, on motion, it was

Ordered, That leave be given to withdraw said papers.

Mr. Hillard, from committee to whom was referred that part of the Governor's Message relating to the building of a new State Prison, or repairing the present building, made the following Report:

The committee to whom was referred that part of the Governor's Message relating to the State Prison, having attended to the duties assigned them, ask leave to report:

That they immediately repaired to the prison, and, in company with the principal keeper of the prison, carefully examined the construction of the prison, and the decayed state of the main building.

Your committee are unanimous in opinion, that the plan of construction is not favorable to security, economy or morality. These facts cannot, with propriety, be fully presented in this report.

Your committee would refer to the report of the joint committee of Council and Assembly, submitted to the last Legislature. It contains thirty-six octavo pages, and gives a full and minute description of the bad construction of the prison, and the numerous evils connected with the discipline of a prison thus constructed.

The increase of crime, during the last year, in our State, has so increased the number of convicts in the prison, that the safety of the prison is greatly endangered. The cells of the south wing are all occupied with from two to four in a cell, during the night—and the principal keeper informed your committee that he was obliged to occupy one of the night rooms in the north wing for several of the convicts—a place which had long been abandoned as not secure, and from whence numerous escapes have been made, as will appear from the records of the prison.

Your committee are aware that it is the opinion of some, that economy and moral improvement are not to be found in the management and government of prisons—an opinion, when propagated, which is fraught with much mischief, and has been one of the principal causes, in past years, of State Prisons becoming such an expense to the people, and the highest schools of vice and iniquity. Where the novice in crime is taught all the evils of villany, and reformation and economy are rarely, if ever known, nothing can be expected from such institutions but a continual expense to the people where they exist.

There has been collected from the people of the State of New-Jersey, within the last thirty years, more than one hundred and sixty-five thousand dollars, for the support of her State Prison, including the cost of prosecution and transporting prisoners—an amount nearly equal to one third of all the taxes raised for the support of the government of the state. All has been done that can be, during the last year, without legislative aid, to improve the prison, by erecting a large and commodious work shop—altering the guard room from the northwest corner of the building, where it had no commanding view of the yard, the work shops, or the walls of the prison, to a part of the building where the principal keeper and the clerk have a view of the yard and shops. Though the principal keeper has been faithful in the discharge of his duties, the institution, this year, will fall far short of paying its expenses.

Your committee are of opinion that the radical fault is in the construction of the prison, to which the principal keeper and his assistants must, in a great measure, conform, in the governing and punishing of the prisoners, which leads to punishment in solitary confinement in a part of the building where no fire is kept, and the cold and damp destructive to the most robust constitution. Their diet, a small allowance of bread and water, and they are frequently kept in those places of punishment, from fifteen to thirty days.

Your committee saw a convict in one of those cells, with his hands and feet chained to the floor. He was sitting on a wooden stool, with a blanket around his shoulders, and were told, by the keeper, that he had been in that situation three or four days and nights, on an allowance of nothing but cold water. In a proper constructed prison, where there could be a constant inspection through the day, and solitary confinement at night, there would be but little need of severe punishment—all combinations would be broken up, and no chance for accomplished villains to lay plans through the night for others to execute.

Your committee are unanimous of opinion that there should be a prison built on the general plan of the one built at Wethersfield, in the state of Connecticut.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Black, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of John Salter,

Reported by bill,

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and the printing of the same dispensed with.

Mr. Barrett, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill supplementary to the act for the suppression of vice and immorality;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the New-Brunswick Steam-boat and Canal Transportation Company."

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong. Messrs. Barton.

Messrs. Barrett,	Messrs. McDowell,
Baldwin,	McIlvaine,
Bennet,	McKoy,
Clifford,	Monro,
A. Cruser,	Nelson,
W. Cruser,	L. Randolph,
Davis,	J. Randolph,
Demarest,	Schenck,
Ewing,	Shackelton,
Hancock,	Smith,
Hillard,	Stratton,
Howey,	Summerill,
Hull,	Terhune,
Kline,	Valentine,
Marshal	Van Riper,
Meeker,	Ward,
Merkel,	Wilson,
McChesney,	Wurts, speaker—38

NAYS.

Messrs. Black,	Lippincott,
Campion,	Ray,
Deacon,	Reeves,
Ellis,	Stokes—9
Leaming.	

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road Company

Was read a second time,

And, while the same was under consideration, the

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Kline from the committee to whom was referred the petition from Somerset, relative to the further preservation of deer and other game,

Reported by bill;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Smith, from the committee on that subject, reported a further supplement to the law for draining the low grounds in the town of Newark;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

The report of the committee on the application of William Demund.

Was taken up, and the same agreed to.

Mr. Black offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved, By the Legislative Council and General Assembly, That the Treasurer of this State be authorised to purchase copies of the second edition of a Manual of Legislative practice and order of business in deliberate bodies, by Joel B. Sutherland, for the use of the State Library;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to authorise Henry Hankinson, trustee of Keturah M. Sloan and Eliza [illegible]usling, to sell and convey lots of land on the farm on which he resides, on the Morris Canal, in the township of Mansfield, in the county of Warren, and State of New-Jersey, and to receive the monies for the appraisement and agreement of the lands taken and occupied by said Company,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question, shall this bill pass? it was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. McChesney,
Barton,	McDowell,
Barrett,	McIlvaine,
Baldwin,	Monro,
Bennet,	L. Randolph,
Black,	J. Randolph,
Campion,	Reeves,
Clifford,	Schenck,
A. Cruser,	Shackelton,
W. Cruser,	Smith,
Davis,	Stokes,
Deacon,	Stratton,
Ewing,	Summerill,
Hancock,	Terhune,
Howey,	Valentine,
Hull,	Van Riper,
Jackson,	Ward,
Leaming,	Wilson,
Marshall,	Wurts, speaker—39
Meeker,	

NAYS

Messrs. Ellis,	Messrs. McKoy,
Hillard,	Nelson,
Lippincott,	Ray—7
Merkel,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to authorise trustees therein named to sell certain real estate of Daniel Bates, deceased,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question. Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. McDowell,
Barton,	McIlvaine,
Barrett,	McKoy,
Baldwin,	Monro,
Black,	Nelson,
Campion,	Ray,
Clifford,	L. Randolph,
Davis,	J. Randolph,
Deacon,	Reeves,
Demarest,	Schenck,
Ellis,	Shackelton,
Ewing,	Smith,
Hancock,	Stokes,
Hillard,	Stratton,
Howey,	Summerill,
Hull,	Terhune,
Jackson,	Valentine,
Lippincott,	Van Riper,
Marshall,	Ward,
Meeker,	Wilson,
Merkel,	Wurts, speaker—43
McChesney,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennet,	Messrs. Kline,
A. Cruser,	Leaming—5
W. Cruser,	

The consideration of the Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road bill was resumed, which, after having been progressed in, was postponed, and the amendments offered to the same, as additional sections, ordered to be printed.

Mr. Jackson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That all persons who may have been members of the Legislature of this State, are hereby privileged to seats within the bar of the assembly room, in each of the side recesses;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, January 13, 1831.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

The Speaker laid before the House a communication from the American Convention for promoting the abolition of slavery, and improving the condition of the African race;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Wilson presented the abstract of ratables from the county of Warren:

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ward presented a petition from certain inhabitants of the township of Franklin, Bergen county, for a law to fence certain wood land in said township;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Hillard presented a petition from Joseph Smith, for compensation for time, and remuneration for money expended, in his attendance as a witness, on the part of the state, in the trial of Henry Miller, Esq.

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Hillard, Schenck and Clifford.

Mr. Howey presented a petition from Hannah E. Risley, for a law to authorise the appointment of trustees to sell certain real estate;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Howey, Summerill and McKoy.

Mr. Stratton presented a petition from Mary Jones, for a divorce from her husband;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Stratton, McDowell and Bennet.

Mr. McDowell, from the committee to whom was referred the subject of a draw in the turnpike bridge over South river, made the following report:

The committee on the subject of a draw in the turnpike bridge over South river, in the county of Middlesex, report, That in the opinion of a majority of the committee, it is inexpedient to legislate on the subject at this time.

Which was read and agreed to, and on motion,

Ordered that leave be given to withdraw the papers relating to the same.

Mr. Ellis, from committee on that subject, reported a bill to dissolve the marriage contract between Samuel Bent and his wife Rachael, which was read and ordered to a second reading.

Ordered that the printing of said bill be dispensed with.

Mr. Terhune offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved, (Council concurring therein) That Andrew P. Hopper, Esq. be and he is hereby appointed agent in the place of Samuel Pennington, Esq. to take charge of, and manage the State Lands at Paterson, and that he make annual returns of the monies received by him, to the Treasurer of this State, for the use of the state, and that he report to the next Legislature the condition of said property, and his proceedings on the premises;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Summerill offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House allow any person who may have the care of any bill, during its final passage or progress before this House, who are not members, to remain inside of the bar during said progress or passage;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Barrett offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire what amendments are necessary to the act entitled an act for the relief of creditors against absconding and absent debtors, passed the 8th day of March, 1798, or any supplements thereto enacted ;

Which was read and agreed to, and Messrs. Barrett, Armstrong, and Meeker appointed.

Mr. Smith offered the following resolution :

Resolved, That this House appoint a committee to inquire into the situation of their lands in Essex, near Paterson, and whether the State had or had not better dispose of the same, with leave to report by bill or otherwise;

Which was read and agreed to, and Messrs. Smith, Ewing, and Terhune appointed.

The Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road bill was again taken up, and while the same was under consideration, the

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Bennet presented petitions relative to a road in the township of Howell, in the county of Monmouth;

Which were read and referred to Messrs. Bennet, Deacon and Nelson.

Mr. Ellis presented a remonstrance against the application for a law to authorise the construction of a canal to connect Manasqua river with Barnagat Bay;

Which was read and referred to committee on that subject.

Mr. Reeves presented a petition from inhabitants of Gloucester, for a further law relative to marsh and meadows in Greenwich and Wooolwich townships, in said county;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Reeves, Hull and Lippincott.

Mr. Marshall presented a petition from certain inhabitants of Hunterdon, concerning the laying out of roads;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ellis presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Monmouth county, relative to the preservation of planted oysters ;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Ellis, Demarest and L. Randolph.

Mr. Ellis presented a remonstrance relative to pasturing the Manasquan sedges;

Which was read and referred to committee on that subject.

The Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road bill was again taken up, and the same having been considered by section, was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to clear the river Pequest and its branches, and to straighten the channels of the same,

Was read a second time, and considered by section, when, on motion, the same was postponed.

Mr. Jackson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to bring in a bill to provide for

ditching, draining, and improving fresh water low lands, and fencing lands held in common, and raising and appropriating monies for said purposes, upon the owners or possessors of such lands;

Which was read and agreed to, and Messrs. Jackson, Ward and Ireland appointed.

The bill to incorporate the Mechanics' Bank at Newark,

Was read a second time, when the

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, January 14, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. Clifford presented a petition relative to compensating grand jurors;

Which was read and referred to Messrs Clifford, J. F. Randolph, and McChesney.

Mr. Meeker presented a petition from Elizabethtown Mutual Assurance and Fire Company, for the repeal of part of their charter;

Read and referred to Messrs. Meeker, Davis and Merkel.

On motion of Mr. Marshall, the petition by him offered yesterday, relative to the laying out of roads,

Was taken up, and ordered to be referred to a committee; whereupon Messrs. Marshall, Campion and Shackelton were appointed.

Mr. Hillard presented a petition from inhabitants of Pequannack township, in the county of Morris, for a law to annex part of said township to the township of Randolph;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Hillard, Van Riper and Demarest.

Mr. Jackson presented a remonstrance against annexing part of Pequannack to the township of Randolph;

Which was read and referred to the committee last mentioned.

The joint resolution for subscribing for Southerland's Manual,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the Washington Aqueduct Company,"

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

Ordered, That the vote engrossing the Paterson and Hudson river Railroad Company, be reconsidered; after which, said bill having been amended, the same was again ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the Mechanics' Bank at Newark,

Was again taken up for consideration, when, on motion, the same was ordered to be postponed.

The bill in relation to the boundary line between the counties of Middlesex and Somerset,

Was taken up, and, on motion, said bill was ordered to be postponed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to enable the owners of land adjoining Dismal Brook to open and clear the same, within the limits therein mentioned,"

Was read a second time, and postponed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate the Cumberland Beneficial Society of Cumberland county,"

Was read a second time, and considered by section, and the same ordered to a third reading, after having been amended.

Mr. Kline offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the banisters and railing on the bar of the House be removed as soon as convenient;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Bennet, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to authorise a swinging gate to be erected on a certain road on the farm of Thomas Cook;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

The report of the committee recommending the building of a new State Prison,

Was taken up, and the same agreed to.

On motion,

Ordered, That leave be given to bring in a bill to authorise the building of a new State Prison.

The engrossed joint resolution relative to subscribing to the Manual of Legislative Practice, by Joel B. Southerland,

Was read a third time and compared, and the same agreed to.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said resolution to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill for the relief of John Salter,

Was read a second time, and postponed.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail-road Company,"

Was taken up, and, on motion, the same was ordered to be recommitted.

The further supplement to the act to drain the low grounds in Newark,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The further supplement to the act for the preservation of deer and other game,

Was read a second time, when, the first section having been disagreed to, the same was ordered to be dismissed.

Mr. Hancock offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire what alterations, if any are necessary to be made, in the law respecting the foreclosing of mortgages;

Which was read and agreed to, and Messrs. Hancock, Baldwin and Wilson appointed.

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, January 15, 1831.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

A quorum not appearing, the House adjourned to Monday morning next 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, January 17, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. Marshall presented a petition from Henry Hildebrand, relative to compensating witnesses that attended the trial of Henry Miller, Esq.

Which was read and referred to the committee appointed on the application of Joseph Smith.

Mr. Meeker, from the committee to whom was recommitted the engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail-road Company,"

Reported the same, with amendments;

Which amendments were read and agreed to, when said bill was postponed.

Mr. Barton, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill relative to the real estate of William Salter;

Which was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Bennet, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to authorise a swing gate to be erected on the farm of Abraham Tyson, on the road to Manasquan river;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Hillard, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to alter the division line between the townships of Randolph and Pequannack, in the county of Morris;

Which was read and ordered to a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Armstrong, with leave, presented a bill relative to the Camden and Amboy Rail-road Company;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

No. 9 of unfinished business, an act to incorporate the Elizabethtown and Somerville Rail-road Company,

Was taken up, read, and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill, entitled "A further supplement to an act to authorise the draining of the low lands in the town of Newark," passed 25th Nov. 1822,

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate the Cumberland Beneficial Society of Cumberland county,"

Was read a third time, as amended, and on the question.

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Barrett,
Baldwin,
Bennet,
Black,
Campion,
Clifford,
A. Cruser,
W. Cruser,
Davis,
Deacon,
Demarest,
Ewing,
Hillard,
Hull,
Jackson,
Ireland,
Kline,
Marshall,
Meeker,
Merkel,
McDowell,
McIlvaine,
Nelson,
Ray,
L. Randolph,
J. Randolph,
Reeves,
Schenck,
Shackelton,
Smith,
Stokes,
Stratton,
Summerill,
Terhune,
Van Riper,
Ward,
Wilson—37

NAYS.

Messrs. Barton,
Ellis,
Hancock,
Howey,
Lippincott,
McKoy,
Monro,
Valentine,
Wurts, speaker—9

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill:

And that the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, with an amendment, to which the assent of Council is requested

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road Company,

Was read a third time and compared, when the same, on motion, was

Ordered to be recommitted.

The bill to clear the river Pequest and its branches, having been read a second time, and considered by section,

Was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to dissolve the marriage contract between Samuel Bent and his wife Rachael,

Was read a second time, and postponed.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Stratton, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to dissolve the marriage contract between Mary Jones and her husband, Abel Jones;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Ordered, That the printing of the same be dispensed with.

Mr. Clifford, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill relative to grand jurors;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Smith, from the committee to whom was recommitted the bill to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road Company,

Reported the same, with an amendment;

Which amendment was agreed to, and said bill ordered to be engrossed.

The bill to annex part of Elizabeth township to the township of Union,

Was taken up, and, on motion, the same was

Ordered to be postponed to the next session of the Legislature.

The bill to amend the Judicial System of this State, and the bill to enable the owners of low lands and meadows adjoining the Great Ditch, to clear the same; Also,

The bill to incorporate the Mechanics' Bank at Newark,

Were taken up, and severally postponed.

The bill to alter and resettle the boundary line between Somerset and Middlesex,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill for the relief of Jno. Salter, having been read a second time, the same was considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to authorise Henry Hankinson, trustee of Keturah M. Sloan and Eliza B. Rusling, to sell and convey lots of land on the farm on which he resides, on the Morris Canal, in the township of Mansfield, in the county of Warren, and State of New-Jersey, and to receive the monies for the appraisement

and agreement of the lands taken and occupied by said Company," without amendment.

Mr. Jackson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Treasurer be requested to report to this House the amount of the several bills of cost paid by this state, with the amount paid to the sheriffs of the counties, for transporting convicts to the State Prison, from 30th October, 1829, to 30th October, 1830, designating the county in which each convict was sentenced;

Which was read and agreed to.

The bill to dissolve the marriage contract between Samuel Bent and his wife Rachael,

Was considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to erect a swing gate on the farm of Thomas Cook,

Was taken up, and ordered to be postponed.

The bill supplementary to the act to suppress vice and immorality,

Was read a second time,

When, on motion, the same was ordered to be postponed.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, January 18, 1830.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. Black presented a petition from inhabitants of Burlington, relative to the law regulating town meetings,

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Black, Valentine, and Ireland.

Mr. Schenck presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Somerset, for the more equal assessment of taxes.

Ordered, That said petition be referred to a select committee;

Whereupon Messrs. Schenck, Hillard and McDowell were appointed.

Mr. Terhune presented sundry petitions from inhabitants of Bergen and Essex counties, for an alteration in the law preventing horse racing;

Which petitions were read and referred to Mersrs. Terhune, Ellis and A. Cruser.

Mr. Hillard, from select committee on that subject, reported a bill to erect a new prison for this State;

Which was read, and ordered to a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Leaming offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee to whom was referred the application for another Bank in the town of Newark, be, and are hereby authorised and instructed to inquire and report the amount of capital already granted to the Banks in Newark, whether that capital has been paid in, and if part, why the remaining capital is not called in, and such other information as may be necessary for the purpose of forming a correct opinion on the above stated application;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The engrossed bill entitled " An act to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road Company,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question, shall this bill pass? it was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Barrett,	Messrs. McIlvaine,
Bennet,	McKoy,
Black,	Monro,
Clifford,	Nelson,
A. Cruser,	Ray,
W. Cruser,	L. Randolph,
Davis,	J. Randolph,
Deacon,	Reeves,
Demarest,	Schenck,
Ellis,	Shackelton,
Ewing,	Smith,
Hancock,	Stratton,
Hillard,	Summerill,
Hull,	Terhune,
Jackson,	Van Riper,
Marshall,	Ward,
Meeker,	Wilson,
Merkel,	Wurts, speaker—37
McDowell.	

NAYS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Leaming,
Baldwin,	Lippincott,
Campion,	Stokes,
Howey,	Valentine—8

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled " An act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, low lands, and swamps adjoining Pequest river and its branches, in the township of Oxford and Independence, in the county of Warren, to clear the same, and straighten their channels, within the limits therein mentioned,"

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question.

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Baldwin,

Messrs. Bennet,
Black,
Campion,
Clifford,
A. Cruser,
W. Cruser,
Davis,
Deacon,
Demarest,
Ellis,
Hillard,
Howey,
Hull,
Jackson,
Lippincott,
Marshall,
Meeker,
Merkel,
McDowell,
McIlvaine,
McKoy,
Monro,
Ray,
J. Randolph,
Reeves,
Schenck,
Shackelton,
Smith,
Valentine,
Van Riper,
Ward,
Wilson,
Wurts, speaker--35

NAYS.

Messrs. Barrett,
Ewing,
Hancock,
Leaming,
Nelson,
L. Randolph,
Stokes,
Stratton,
Summerill,
Terhune—10

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill to incorporate the Mechanics' Bank at Newark,

Was taken up: Said bill having been read a second time, a motion to strike out the first section was disagreed to, as follows :

YEAS.

Messrs. Campion,
Deacon,
Leaming,
Lippincott—4

NAYS.

Messrs. Armstrong,
Barrett,
Baldwin,
Bennet,
Clifford,
A. Cruser,
W. Cruser,
Davis,
Demarest,
Ellis,
McDowell,
McIlvaine,
McKoy,
Monro,
Nelson,
Ray,
L. Randolph,
J. Randolph,
Reeves,
Schenck,

Messrs. Ewing,	Messrs. Shackelton,
Hancock,	Smith,
Hillard,	Stokes,
Howey,	Stratton,
Hull,	Summerill,
Jackson,	Terhune,
Kline,	Valentine,
Marshall,	Van Riper,
Meeker,	Ward,
Merkel,	Wilson—40

After which, said bill was considered by section, and the same ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Clifford presented a petition from Henry Miller, relative to expenses incurred during the trial of said Miller;

Which was read and referred to the committee appointed on the application of Joseph Smith.

Mr. Meeker, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill, supplementary to the Elizabethtown Mutual Assurance Fire Company, passed 20th February, 1829;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to divorce Samuel Bent, of the county of Monmouth, from his wife Rachael,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Barrett,	Messrs. Merkel,
Bennet,	McDowell,
Clifford,	McIlvaine,
A. Cruser,	McKoy,
W. Cruser,	Nelson,
Davis,	Ray,
Ellis,	Reeves,
Ewing,	Schenck,
Hillard,	Shackelton,
Howey,	Stratton,
Hull,	Summerill,
Jackson,	Terhune,
Leaming,	Valentine,
Lippincott,	Van Riper,
Meeker,	Ward,
Marshall,	Wilson—32

NAYS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Kline,
Baldwin,	Monro,
Black,	L. Randolph,
Campion,	J. Randolph,
Deacon,	Smith,
Demarest,	Stokes,
Hancock,	Wurts, speaker—14

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, ther secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Mount Holly Insurance Company, in the county of Burlington;" Also,

The bill entitled "An act for the relief of the President and Trustees of the First Presbyterian Church in Newton, in the county of Sussex;"

To which bills the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

And also that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to incorporate the New-Brunswick Steam-boat and Canal Transportation Company," without amendment.

Also, that Council had passed the joint resolution from the House of Assembly, relative to the purchase of sundry copies of Southerland's Manual of Legislative Practice, with an amendment;

To which amendment the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

And further, that Council had agreed to the amendment made by the House of Assembly to the bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Cumberland Beneficial Society of Cumberland County;"

And have caused said bill to be engrossed.

The bills from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate the Mount Holly Insurance Company, in the county of Burlington;"

And "An act for the relief of the President and Trustees of the First Presbyterian Church in Newton, in the county of Sussex,"

Were severally read, and ordered second readings.

The amendment made in Council to the joint resolution for the purchase of Southerland's Manual,

Was read and agreed to, and said resolution ordered to be re-engrossed for a third reading.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to alter and resettle a part of the boundary line between the counties of Somerset and Middlesex,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Baldwin,
Barrett,	Bennet,

Messrs. Black,	Messrs. Meeker,
Campion,	Merkel,
Clifford,	McIlvaine,
A. Cruser,	Nelson,
Davis,	Ray,
Deacon,	L. Randolph,
Demarest,	J. Randolph,
Ellis,	Reeves,
Ewing,	Shackelton,
Hancock,	Smith,
Hillard,	Stokes,
Howey,	Stratton,
Hull,	Summerill,
Jackson,	Terhune,
Leaming,	Valentine,
Lippincott,	Van Riper,
Marshall,	Wilson—38

NAYS.

Messrs. W. Cruser,	Messrs. Monro,
Kline,	Schenck,
McDowell,	Ward,
McKoy,	Wurts, speaker—8

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act for the relief of John Salter,"

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Howey,
Barrett,	Kline,
Baldwin,	Leaming,
Black,	Marshall,
Campion,	Merkel,
Clifford,	McDowell,
A. Cruser,	McIlvaine,
W. Cruser,	Monro,
Davis,	Nelson,
Deacon,	Ray,
Demarest,	L. Randolph,
Ellis,	J. Randolph,
Ewing,	Reeves,
Hillard,	Schenck,

Messrs. Shackelton,	Messrs. Summerill,
Smith,	Van Riper,
Stratton,	Wilson—34

NAYS.

Messrs. Hancock,	Messrs. Stokes,
Hull,	Terhune,
Jackson,	Valentine,
Meeker,	Ward,
McKoy,	Wurts, speaker—10

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail-road Company,"

Was taken up, and the same ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to alter the boundary line between the townships of Randolph and Pequannack, in the county of Morris,"

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The joint resolution relative to the appointment of A. Hopper, Esq. agent of the state lands at Paterson,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill supplementary to the act for suppressing vice and immorality,

Was taken up, when, on motion, the first section of the same was ordered to be stricken out.

Ordered, That said bill be dismissed.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, January 19, 1831.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

The speaker laid before the House the following communication from the the Treasurer, made in obedience to the resolution agreed to by the House yesterday :

NEW-JERSEY TREASURY DEPARTMENT,
Trenton, January 18, 1831.

To the Honorable,
The General Assembly of the State of New-Jersey :

In conformity with your resolution of yesterday, requesting the Treasurer to report, to your honorable body, the amount of the several bills of cost paid by the State, with the amount paid the sheriffs of the counties, for transporting of convicts to the State Prison, from the 30th of October, 1830, to the 30th of

October, 1830, designating the county in which each convict was sentenced, has the honor to report:

First. The amount of cost paid by the state, for prosecuting to conviction *fifty-one* persons in the several counties, within the term above mentioned,		$2 377 52
Second. Amount paid sheriffs for transporting *fifty-one* convicts to the state prison, within the same term,		473 68
Total cost,		2 851 20
Third. In Middlesex, there has been paid for costs, &c. on 12 convicts sentenced, cost taxed at		1 012 79
Transporting said convicts to prison,	$57 20	
In Bergen county, 1 convict sentenced, cost taxed at		33 79
Transportation of said convict to prison,	29 95	
In Warren county, 2 convicts sentenced, cost taxed at		125 57
Transportation to state prison,	46 82	
In Essex county, 10 convicts sentenced, cost taxed at		383 36
Transportation of do. to state prison,	91 43	
In Monmouth county, 3 convicts sentc'd, cost taxed at		243 92
Transportation to state prison,	36 09	
In Gloucester co. 9 convicts sentenced, cost taxed at		210 04
Transporting to state prison,	54 68	
In city of Trenton, 3 convicts sentenced, cost taxed at		65 05
Transportation to state prison,	2 40	
In Borough of Elizabeth, 1 convict do. do. at		18 35
Transportation to state prison,	20 03	
In Sussex county, 2 convicts sentenced, cost taxed at		59 34
Transportation to state prison,	34 75	
In Salem county, 1 convict santenced, cost taxed at		30 32
Transportation to state prison,	29 92	
In Morris county, 3 convicts sentenced, cost taxed at		74 16
Transportation to state prison,	45 56	
In Somerset county, 4 convicts sentenced, cost taxed at		120 83
Transportation to state prison,	24 82	
		$2 377 52

Amount for transportation,	$473 68
Amount of cost on conviction,	$2 377 52
Total,	$2 851 20

All which is respectfully submitted by

Your obedient, humble servant,

CHARLES PARKER, Treasurer.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. McDowell presented a petition from James Fisher, for a law to convey certain real estate, late of John Dennis, Jr. deceased;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. McDowell, Shackelton and Leaming.

Mr. Kline presented a petition from Hannah Ogden and Isaac N. Wyckoff, for a law to authorise the sale of the real estate late of Dr. Isaac Ogden, deceased;"

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Kline, McIlvaine and McKoy.

Mr. Ward presented a petition from sundry persons, inhabitants of Bergen county, for a law incorporating certain individuals owners of a lot of ground, to be used as a place of public burial;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Ward, Monro and Deacon.

Mr. Jackson presented a petition from inhabitants of Pequannack township, in the county of Morris, relative to an alteration in the line between said township and the township of Randolph;

Which was read and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Hancock presented a remonstrance against said alteration;

Which was read and referred to the same committee.

Mr. Hancock, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill relative to the foreclosure of mortgages;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Howey, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill in relation to real estate, late of Dr. Joseph Risley;

Which was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Valentine offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire whether any, and if any, what alterations are necessary in the existing law relative to hawkers, pedlars, and petty chapmen, passed February 27, 1830, with leave to report by bill or otherwise;

Which was read and agreed to, and Messrs. Valentine, Barrett and Reeves appointed.

The report of the joint committee of Council and Assembly, appointed to settle the accounts of the state prison,

Was taken up, and the same agreed to.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said report to Council, and inform them that the House of Assembly had agreed to the same.

The bill to divide the township of Aquackanonk,

Was considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading

The bill to amend the Judicial System of this State; And

The bill relative to low lands adjoining the Great Ditch; Also,

The bill to divorce Mary Jones from her husband, Abel Jones; And also

The bill in relation to the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company,

Were taken up in turn, and severally postponed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act for the relief of the President and Trustees of the First Presbyterian Church in Newton, in the county of Sussex,"

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be postponed, on the preamble to the same.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate the Mount Holly Insurance Company in Burlington county,"

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to a third reading.

Adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Mr. Black presented a memorial from the Directors of the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

A message from Council by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had appointed Messrs. Green and Mickle a committee, on their part, to join a committee on the part of this House, for the purpose of examining into the state of the public offices, and of the public papers and records therein; and also the situation of the buildings and other property belonging to the state, in the city of Trenton, and to report thereon by bill, resolution, or otherwise, and requested the appointment of a corresponding committee:

And that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to incorporate the Washington Aqueduct Company," without amendment:

And also that Council had passed a bill, entitled a supplement to the act entitled "An act to incorporate the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company," passed 4th February, 1830;

To which they request the assent of the House of Assembly.

The bill from Council entitled "A supplement to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company,"

Was read, and ordered a second reading.

Ordered, That Messrs. Ewing, Summerill and Marshall be a committee, on the part of this House, to join a committee from Council, for the purpose of examining public offices and records, together with the buildings of the state, in the city of Trenton, with leave to report by bill, resolution, or otherwise.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council of the appointment of the foregoing committee.

Mr. Van Riper presented a petition from certain persons, justices of the peace, and notaries public, for an alteration in the law in relation to protests;

And Mr. Randolph presented a remonstrance against the same;

Whereupon, on motion, leave was given to withdraw the papers in relation thereto.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to alter the boundary line between the townships of Randolph and Pequannack, in the county of Morris,"

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question.

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed joint resolution relative to the State lands at Paterson,

Was read a third time and compared, and the same agreed to.

The re-engrossed joint resolution relative to the purchase of Southerland's Manual,

Was read as amended in Council, and the same agreed to.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the amendment made thereto

in Council has been agreed to, and said resolution ordered to be re-engrossed.

The bill from Council entitled "An act for the relief of the President and Trustees of the First Presbyterian Church of Newton, in the county of Sussex,"

Was taken up, when the same was ordered to a third reading.

The bill relative to the real estate of William Salter, and

The bill in relation to the Elizabethtown Mutual Assurance Fire Company,

Were taken up, and severally postponed.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, January 20, 1831.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act making provision for carrying into effect the act for the punishment of crimes," passed February 23, 1829;

To which, the concurrence of the House of Assembly is requested:

Whereupon, said bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Ireland presented a petition from Thompson Price, for relief;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Ireland, J. F. Randolph, and Stokes.

Mr. Demarest presented a petition from the New-Barbadoes Toll Bridge Company;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Demarest, Meeker, and W. Cruser.

Mr. Terhune presented a petition from Edwin W. Jackson, for a law to divorce him from his wife;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Jackson presented a petition from inhabitants of Morris county, relative to school teachers;

Which was read and referred to the committee on common schools.

Mr. Jackson presented a petition from Walter Kirkpatrick, administrator of Thomas E. Bowlesby, late of the county of Morris, deceased, relative to certain arms which belonged to the state;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Jackson, L. S. Randolph, and Hull.

Mr. Jackson presented petitions from Morris, Sussex and Essex, for a new road;

Which were read and referred to Messrs. Jackson, Baldwin and Merkel.

Mr. McDowell, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to authorise the administrators, with the will annexed, of Jno. Dennis, Jr. deceased, to convey certain real estate;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading, and the printing of the same dispensed with.

Mr. Kline, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of Isaac N. Wyckoff and Hannah Ogden,

Reported by bill;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Stokes, with leave, presented a bill relative to certain acknowledgments taken by Thomas Haines;

Which was read and ordered to a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Barrett, from committee, reported a bill in relation to the act relative to absconding debtors,

Which was read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Bank at Newark,

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. McKoy,
Bennet,	Monro,
A. Cruser,	L. Randolph,
Davis,	J. Randolph,
Demarest,	Schenck,
Ellis,	Shackelton,
Hancock,	Smith,
Hillard,	Summerill,
Hull,	Terhune,
Jackson,	Valentine,
Marshall,	Van Riper,
Meeker,	Ward,
Merkel,	Wilson—27
McIlvaine,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Kline,
Barrett,	Leaming,
Campion,	Lippincott,
Clifford,	McDowell,
W. Cruser,	Ray,
Deacon,	Reeves,
Ewing,	Stokes,
Howey,	Stratton,
Ireland,	Wurts, speaker—18

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill from Council entitled "An act for the relief of the President and

Trustees of the First Presbyterian Church in Newton, in the county of Sussex,"

Was read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Merkel,
Barrett,	McDowell,
Baldwin,	McIlvaine,
Bennet,	McKoy,
Black,	Monro,
Campion,	Ray,
A. Cruser,	L. Randolph,
W. Cruser,	J. Randolph,
Davis,	Reeves,
Deacon,	Schenck,
Demarest,	Shackelton,
Ellis,	Smith,
Ewing,	Stratton,
Hancock,	Summerill,
Hillard,	Terhune,
Hull,	Van Riper,
Jackson,	Ward,
Leaming,	Wilson,
Meeker,	Wurts, speaker—38

NAYS.

Messrs. Clifford,	Messrs. Lippincott,
Howey,	Marshall,
Ireland,	Valentine—6

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, without amendment.

Mr. Jackson presented a memorial from certain landholders in the county of Morris, praying for the repeal of certain laws;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Jackson, Schenck, and Leaming.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

The bill to amend the Judicial System of this State, was taken up, and read a second time, when a motion to strike out the first section of said bill, was lost by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Barrett,	Messrs. McIlvaine,
Bennet,	Monro,
Clifford,	Shackelton,
Deacon,	Stokes,
Demarest,	Stratton,
Jackson,	Terhune,
Ireland,	Valentine,
Kline,	Van Riper,
Leaming,	Ward,
Lippincott.	Wilson—20

NAYS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Hull,
Baldwin,	Marshall,
Black,	Merkel,
Campion,	McDowell,
A. Cruser,	McKoy,
W. Cruser,	Ray,
Davis,	L. Randolph,
Ellis,	Reeves,
Ewing,	Schenck,
Hancock,	Smith,
Hillard,	Summerill,
Howey,	Wurts, speaker—24

After which, a considerable portion of the afternoon was spent in the further consideration of the bill, when a motion to postpone a further consideration of the same prevailed.

The bill to provide for the erection of a new prison for this state,

Was taken up, read a second time, and, after a lengthy discussion of the subject, the bill was, for the present, postponed.

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock, to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, January 21, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. McDowell presented a petition from Elizabeth Lyle, for a law to sell real estate:

Read and referred to Messrs. McDowell, Ewing and Kline.

Mr. Terhune, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to amend the act relative to horse racing;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act dividing the township of Aquackanonk, in the county of Essex, into two separate townships,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill relative to the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company,

Was called up, and read a second time, when, on motion, said bill was, for the present, postponed.

The bill to authorise the executors, with the will annexed, of John Dennis, Jr. deceased, to convey certain real estate of said deceased to James Fisher,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. A. Cruser, with leave, presented a bill relative to the draw in the turnpike bridge over South river, in Middlesex county;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, when, on motion, said bill was ordered to be referred to a committee; whereupon, the same was referred to Messrs. A. Cruser, W. Cruser, and McIlvaine.

The Elizabethtown and Somerville Rail-road bill,

Was taken up, and, while in progress, the same was, on motion,

Ordered to be postponed.

The bill authorising trustees to sell certain real estate, late of Dr. Samuel Risley, deceased,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to authorise Hannah Ogden and Isaac N. Wyckoff to sell the real estate late of Isaac Ogden, deceased,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and

Ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill supplementary to the act protecting creditors from absent or absconding debtors,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and the same ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to legalize certain acknowledgments, taken by Thomas Haines,

Was taken up, and a second time, gone through with by section, and the same ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Clifford offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Treasurer be requested to report to this House the amount of tax necessary to be raised for the support of the government of this state, and other contingencies, as near as may be, for the year 1831, with a statement of the reasons therefor;

Which was agreed to.

The bill from Council entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act making provision for carrying into effect the act for the punishment of crimes," passed February 23, 1829,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and the same ordered a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to divorce Samuel Bent, of the county of Monmouth, from his wife Rachael, without amendment; Also,

That Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road Company," with sundry amendments.

To which amendments the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

The amendments made in Council to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled an "An act to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road Company,"

Were read, and the same agreed to, and said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Ward, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to incorporate the Jersey city and Harsimus Cemetry;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Hull offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire whether any, and if any, what alterations are necessary in the existing laws establishing the militia system, with leave to report by bill;

Which was read and agreed to, and Messrs. Hull, Kline, and McIlvaine appointed.

The re-engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road Company,"

Was read as amended in Council, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Barton,	Messrs. Howey,
Barrett,	Hull,
Black,	Marshall,
Campion,	Merkel,
Clifford,	McChesney,
A. Cruser,	McDowell,
W. Cruser,	McIlvaine,
Davis,	McKoy,
Deacon,	Monro,
Demarest,	Nelson,
Ellis,	Ray,
Ewing,	L. Randolph,
Hancock,	Schenck,
Hillard,	Smith,

Messrs. Stratton,
Summerill,
Terhune,
Van Riper,
Messrs. Ward,
Wilson,
Wurts, speaker—35

NAYS.

Messrs. Baldwin,
Jackson,
Kline,
Messrs. Lippincott,
Shackelton,
Stokes—6

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council and inform them that the House have agreed to the amendments made thereto, by them, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate the Mount Holly Insurance Company, in the county of Burlington,"

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Barton,
Barrett,
Baldwin,
Black,
Campion,
Clifford,
A. Cruser,
W. Cruser,
Davis,
Deacon,
Demarest,
Ellis,
Ewing,
Hillard,
Howey,
Hull,
Jackson,
Kline,
Leaming,
Lippincott,
Messrs, Marshall,
Merkel,
McChesney,
McDowell,
McIlvaine,
Monro,
Ray,
L. Randolph,
Schenck,
Shackelton,
Smith,
Stokes,
Stratton,
Summerill,
Terhune,
Van Riper,
Ward,
Wilson,
Wurts, speaker—39

NAYS.

Messrs. Hancock,
McKoy—2

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, they do adjourn until Monday morning next, 10 o'clock.

The House adjourned to Monday morning next, 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, January 24, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Messrs. McIlvaine and Howey severally presented petitions from their respective counties, praying for an alteration in the law relative to the circulation of small notes;

Which were read and referred to Messrs. McIlvaine, Howey and Davis.

Mr. Clifford presented the following report of the Treasurer, made in obedience to a resolution agreed to, by the House, on Friday last:

NEW-JERSEY TREASURY OFFICE,
Trenton, January 11th, 1831.

The Honorable ALEXANDER WURTS, *Esq.*,
Speaker of the House of Assembly, &c.:

SIR—Enclosed is a statement of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Rahway, made out on the 2d day of November last, and sworn to by the President and Cashier, in pursuance of a provision in their charter. There is also enclosed, a statement from the agent having charge of the State land at Paterson, giving, in detail, the amount of proceeds received by him, for its use, for 1828 and 1829—which statements you will please to lay before the House over which you preside, for their inspection, and oblige

Your obedient, humble servant.

CHARLES PARKER, Treasurer.

FARMERS' AND MECHANICS' BANK,
Rahway, November 2d, 1831.

To CHARLES PARKER, *Esq.*, *Treasurer of State:*

SIR—The President and Cashier of the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank of Rahway, agreeably to their charter, report to the Treasurer of the State, to be laid before the Honorable the Legislature, the following statement of its affairs, viz.

There has been called for, and paid in of the capital stock,	$40 000
They have in circulation, Bank Notes to amount of	29 825
They owe to individual depositors, and to other banks,	18 167 20
	87 992 20
They have in bills discounted, with good security,	71 937 59

They have cash on hand, and in deposit in the Merchants' Bank, New-York, 17 739 70

89 677 29

All which is respectfully submitted.

WM. EDGAR, President.
F. KING, Cashier.

State of New-Jersey, } Personally appeared before me, Richard Marsh,
Middlesex County. } Esq. one of the justices of the peace for the county of Middlesex, William Edgar and Frederick King, each of whom being duly sworn, did depose and say, that the foregoing statement, to which they have set their hands, is true, to the best of their knowledge.

Sworn before me, RICHARD MARSH.
November 10, 1830.

NEWARK, January 4th, 1831.

CHARLES PARKER, *Treasurer, &c.:*

DEAR SIR—The amount of proceeds due the State from Adrian Van Houten, for State lands at Paterson, is as follows, viz.

FOR THE YEAR 1828-29:

For 1-3 of 47 bushels buckwheat, making 15 3-4 bushels, at 3*s.* per bushel,	$5 90
Rent for pasture,	33 00

FOR THE YEAR 1829-30:

For 1-3 of 120 bushels buckwheat, making 40 bushels, at 3*s.* per bushel,	15 00
1-3 of 82 1-2 bushels corn, making 27 1-2 bush. at 5*s.* per bush.	17 18
18 loads old wood, at 1*l*6 per load,	3 37
Rent of pasture,	33 00
	$107 45

Deducting therefrom ten dollars per year, for two years, for my expenses and services as agent, a balance remains of eighty-seven 45-100 dollars, which sum I have deposited in the Newark State Bank, to your credit, as appears by the foregoing certificate from the Cashier of said Bank. I was about transmitting this amount to you; but as heretofore, with your approbation, like deposits have been made in said Bank, I have taken the liberty to do so in the present case, presuming it will be equally to your satisfaction.

Very respectfully yours, &c.
SAMUEL PENNINGTON,
per J. P. PENNINGTON.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table, and to be printed.

The engrossed bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail-road Company,

Was called up, and, on motion,

Ordered, That said bill be recommitted.

The bill relative to the real estate of William Salter, deceased,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill from Council, entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act making provision for carrying into effect the act for the punishment of crimes," passed February 23, 1829,

Was read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Barton,	Messrs. McChesney,
Barrett,	McDowell,
Baldwin,	McKoy,
Campion,	Monro,
Clifford,	Nelson,
W. Cruser,	Ray,
Davis,	Shackelton,
Demarest,	Smith,
Dwing,	Stratton,
Hancock,	Summerill,
Howey,	Terhune,
Hull,	Van Riper,
Ireland,	Ward,
Leaming,	Wilson,
Meeker,	Wurts, speaker—31
Merkel,	

NAYS.

Messrs. A. Cruser, Schenck—2

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

Mr. Meeker, from the committee to whom was recommitted the bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail-road Company,

Reported the same, with amendments;

Which amendments were read, and the same agreed to, and said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The bill supplementary to the act relative to the Elizabethtown Mutual Assurance Fire Company,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and the same ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

The speaker laid before the House the following communication from the acting officers of the Franklin Bank of New-Jersey;

JERSEY CITY, JANUARY 3d, 1831.

To the Honorable, the Legislature of the State of New-Jersey:

In the matter of the Franklin Bank of New-Jersey, the acting President and Cashier respectfully report—

That the issues of this Bank have been (as appears from the books of said Bank) two hundred thirty-seven thousand dollars; and, it is supposed, as represented by the former officers, to be just that sum; that those issues are chiefly in the hands of individuals within the vicinity of Wall-street, New-York, with whom the bills have been pledged, as appears from their statements, for very trifling sums, (but with which the present officers have had nothing to do)—little or none upon the public. All the property belonging to the Bank, as far as has come to our knowledge, consists of furniture, books, and ordinary apparatus for banking operations. There has been a suspension of business for several years last past.

The present acting officers, to whose care the concerns of this institution have been confided, can see little or no change in its circumstances since the last report.

All which is respectfully submitted.

RICHARD REED, Acting President.
J. E. HART, Acting Cashier.

City and County of New-York ss. On this 21st day January, 1831, personally came before me, the above officers of the Franklin Bank of New-Jersey, who, being severally duly sworn, deposed and said, that the matters contained in the above statement is just and true, to the best of their knowledge; and further, the deponents say not.

J. H. GOLDSMITH, Commissioner, &c.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. McKoy presented a petition from Azariah Davis, administrator of John Cummings, deceased, for a law to authorise him to fulfil a contract made by the said John Cummings, in his life time;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. McKoy, Monro and Stratton.

Mr. Jackson presented petitions from sundry inhabitants of Morris, Sussex, and Essex, for a law to authorise the laying out of a certain new road in said counties;

Which were read and referred to the committee on that subject.

The engrossed bill entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled an act for the relief of creditors against absconding and absent debtors," passed the 8th day of March, 1798,

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Barton,	Messrs. Davis,
Barrett,	Deacon,
Baldwin,	Demarest,
Campion,	Ewing,
Clifford,	Hewey,
A. Cruser,	Jackson,
W. Cruser,	Ireland,

Messrs. Leaming,	Messrs. Ray.
Lippincott,	Shackelton,
Marshall,	Smith,
Meeker,	Stokes,
Merkel,	Stratton,
McChesney,	Summerill,
McDowell,	Terhune,
McIlvaine,	Van Riper,
McKoy,	Ward,
Nelson,	Wilson—34

NAYS.

Messrs. Hancock,	Messrs. Schenck,
Monro,	Wurts, speaker—4

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to confirm certain acknowledgments of deeds and other instruments, taken by Thomas Haines,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affimative as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Barton,	Messrs. McChesney,
Barrett,	McDowell,
Baldwin,	McIlvaine,
Campion,	McKoy,
Clifford,	Monro,
A. Cruser,	Nelson,
W. Cruser,	Ray,
Davis,	Schenck,
Deacon,	Shackelton,
Demarest,	Smith,
Ewing,	Stokes,
Howey,	Stratton,
Jackson,	Summerill,
Ireland,	Terhune,
Leaming,	Van Riper,
Lippincott,	Ward,
Marshall,	Wilson,
Meeker,	Wurts, speaker—37
Merkel,	

NAYS.

Mr. Hancock.

The engrossed bill entitled an "An act to authorise Peter Spader and James S. Nevius, administrators, with the will annexed, of John Dennis, Jr. deceased, to convey certain real estate to James Fisher,

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bills.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bills to Council, and request their concurrence.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, January 25, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. Hillard presented sundry remonstrances from inhabitants of Sussex, Morris, and Essex, against the laying out of a certain road in said counties;

Which were referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. McKoy, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to authorise Azariah Davis, administrator of John Cummings, to fulfil a certain contract made by the said Cummings, in his life time;

Which was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Ellis presented the abstract of ratables from the county of Monmouth:

Ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to incorporate the Elizabethtown and Somerville Rail-road Company,

Was read a second time, when, on motion, the same was ordered to be postponed.

No. 17 of unfinished business, "A bill to authorise the erection of a bridge over South river, at or near the village of Washington, in the county of Middlesex,

Was called up, and committed to Messrs. A. Cruser, Barton and Campion.

The bill from Council, entitled "A supplement to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company," passed 4th Feb. 1830,

Was read a second time, and, after a considerable time spent in its discussion, the same was, on motion,

Ordered to be postponed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "A further supplement to an act to authorise the draining of the low lands in the town of Newark," passed 25th November, 1822; And

"An act to authorise trustees therein mentioned, to sell certain real estate of Daniel Bates, deceased;" And, also,

"An act to incorporate the Mechanics' Bank at Newark," without amendment; And further, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled

"An act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, low lands, and swamps adjoining Pequest river and its branches, in the townships of Oxford and Independence, in the county of Warren, to clear the same, and straighten the channels within the limits therein mentioned," with sundry amendments;

To which amendments the concurrence of the House of Assembly is requested.

Ordered, That said bills, together with the amendments made thereto in Council, lie on the table.

The bill to reduce the fees on the foreclosure of mortgages,

Was taken up, read a second time, when, on motion, the same was postponed.

Mr. Ewing, with leave, presented a bill for the more easy sale of mortgaged premises;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Marshall presented a petition from inhabitants of Lambertsville, for a law to authorise the establishment of a Bank at that place;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Marshall, Van Riper and Bennet.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act respecting the real estate of William Salter, deceased,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Lippincott,
Barton,	Marshall,
Barrett,	Meeker,
Baldwin,	Merkel,
Bennet,	McChesney,
Campion,	McDowell,
Clifford,	McIlvaine,
A. Cruser,	McKoy,
W. Cruser,	Monro,
Deacon,	Nelson,
Demarest,	Ray,
Ewing,	Reeves,
Hillard,	Shackelton,
Howey,	Smith,
Ireland,	Stokes,
Leaming,	Stratton,

Mess.	Summerill,	*Mess.*	Ward,
	Terhune,		Wilson,
	Van Riper,		Wurts, speaker—38

NAYS.

Messrs.	Davis,	Messrs.	Hancock,
	Ellis,		Jackson—4

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to amend the supplement to the act entitled an act to incorporate the Elizabethtown Mutual Assurance Fire Company," passed the 20th day of February, 1829,

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Meeker,
	Barton,		Merkel,
	Barret,		McChesney,
	Baldwin,		McDowell,
	Bennet,		McIlvaine,
	Campion,		McKoy,
	Clifford,		Monro,
	A. Cruser,		Nelson,
	W. Cruser,		Ray,
	Davis,		Reeves,
	Deacon,		Schenck,
	Demarest,		Shackelton,
	Ellis,		Smith,
	Ewing,		Stokes,
	Howey,		Stratton,
	Jackson,		Summerill,
	Ireland,		Terhune,
	Kline,		Van Riper,
	Leaming,		Ward,
	Lippincott,		Wilson,
	Marshall,		Wurts, speaker—42

NAY.

Mr. Hancock—1

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to authorise the sale of the real estate of Isaac Ogden, deceased,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Leaming,
	Barton,		Lippincott,
	Barrett,		Marshall,
	Baldwin,		Meeker,
	Bennet,		McChesney,
	Campion,		McDowell,
	Clifford,		McIlvaine,
	A. Cruser,		McKoy,
	W. Cruser,		Monro,
	Deacon,		Ray,
	Demarest,		Schenck,
	Ellis,		Shackelton,
	Ewing,		Smith,
	Howey,		Summerill,
	Hull,		Terhune,
	Jackson,		Van Riper,
	Ireland,		Ward—35
	Kline,		

NAYS.

Mess.	Davis,	*Mess.*	Reeves,
	Hancock,		Stokes,
	Hillard,		Stratton,
	Merkel,		Wilson,
	Nelson,		Wurts, speaker—10

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill to amend the Judicial System of this State,

Was taken up, read a second time, and, after some time spent in the discussion of the same, said bill was ordered to be postponed to the next session of the Legislature.

The bill to incorporate the Jersey city and Harsimus Cemetry,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and the same ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to alter the law respecting horse racing,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Ellis presented petitions from sundry inhabitants of the state, in favor of an alteration in the present law respecting horse racing:

Ordered to lie on the table.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to alter the boundary line between the townships of Randolph and Pequannack, in the county of Morris," without amendment;

Also, that Council had passed the bill entitled "An act to establish a new township in the county of Gloucester, to be called the township of Camden;"

To which they request the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to establish a new township in the county of Gloucester, to be called the township of Camden,"

Was read, and ordered a second reading.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, January 26, 1831.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

Mr. Ewing presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the county of Cumberland, for an alteration in the law establishing Medical Societies:

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Summerill presented a petition from inhabitants of Salem county, for the repeal of certain laws authorising the construction of a canal to improve the navigation of Salem Creek, and for the passage of a new law on the subject;

Which was read, and referred to Messrs. Summerill, Ewing and Lippincott.

Mr. W. Cruser presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Somerset county, relative to the more equal assessment of taxes;

Which was read and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. W. Cruser, from the committee to whom was referred the subject of an alteration in the law respecting Medical Societies, made the following report:

The committee, to whom was referred the subject of the act entitled "An act to incorporate the Medical Societies for the purpose of regulating the practice of Physic and Surgery in this State," beg leave to report—

That, in the opinion of a majority of your committee, it is inexpedient to legislate on that subject at this time;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ewing, with leave, presented a bill to repeal the law establishing Medical Societies;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Meeker presented a petition from inhabitants of Paterson, for a law to authorise the construction of rail-roads from the Morris canal to said town;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Meeker, Jackson and Demarest.

The bill from Council entitled "A supplement to an act entitled an act to

incorporate the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company," passed the 4th Feb. 1830,

Was taken up, and the second section of the same being under consideration, Mr. Stokes moved to insert the words, " from the Delaware to the Raritan river" in the 12th line of the printed bill, between the words "canal" and " of," which amendment was lost by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Jackson,
Barrett,	Ireland,
Black,	Leaming,
Campion,	Lippincott,
Davis,	McChesney,
Deacon,	Reeves,
Ellis,	Stokes,
Hillard,	Stratton—17
Howey,	

NAYS.

Messrs. Barton,	Messrs. McIlvaine.
Baldwin.	McKoy,
Bennet,	Monro,
Clifford,	Nelson,
A. Cruser,	Ray,
W. Cruser,	L. Randolph,
Demarest,	Schenck,
Ewing,	Shackelton,
Hancock,	Smith,
Hull,	Summerill,
Kline,	Terhune,
Marshall,	Van Riper,
Meeker,	Ward,
Merkel,	Wilson,
McDowell,	Wurts, speaker—30

After which, an amendment was offered by Mr. Armstrong, which was to strike out the words, " of failure" in the 15th line of the printed bill, and insert, " The said canal and feeder shall not be made as aforesaid ;"

Which amendment was lost, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Deacon,
Barrett,	Ellis,
Black,	Hillard,
Campion,	Howey,
Davis,	Jackson,

Messrs. Ireland,
Leaming,
Lippincott,
McChesney,
Messrs. Reeves,
Smith,
Stokes,
Stratton—18

NAYS.

Messrs. Barton,
Baldwin,
Bennet,
Clifford,
A. Cruser,
W. Cruser,
Demarest,
Ewing,
Hancock.
Hull,
Kline,
Marshall,
Meeker,
Merkel,
McDowell,
Messrs. McIlvaine,
McKoy,
Monro,
Nelson,
Ray,
L. Randolph,
Schenck,
Shackelton,
Summerill,
Terhune.
Van Riper,
Ward,
Wilson,
Wurts, speaker—29

When Mr. Armstrong offered, as an amendment, an additional section, as follows:

"Sec. 4. *And be it enacted*, That it shall not be lawful for the said Company to exercise or enjoy any of the powers and privileges contained in this supplemental act, until the assent of the stockholders of the said Delaware and Raritan Canal Company thereto shall have been filed in the office of the Secretary of this State;"

Which was also lost, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,
Black,
Campion,
Davis,
Deacon,
Ellis,
Hillard,
Howey,
Messrs. Jackson,
Ireland,
Leaming,
Lippincott,
McChesney,
Reeves,
Stokes,
Stratton—16

NAYS.

Messrs. Barton,
Barrett,
Baldwin,
Bennet,
Messrs. Clifford,
A. Cruser,
W. Cruser,
Demarest,

Messrs. Ewing,	Messrs. Nelson,
Hancock,	Ray,
Hull,	L. Randolph,
Kline,	Schenck,
Marshall,	Smith,
Meeker,	Summerill,
Merkel,	Terhune,
McDowell,	Van Riper,
McIlvaine,	Ward,
McKoy,	Wilson,
Monro,	Wurts, speaker—30

After which, said bill was considered by section, and ordered for a third reading.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Marshall, from the committee to whom was referred the subject of laying out roads, reported by bill;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Summerill, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill for a canal to shorten the navigation of Salem Creek;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. A. Cruser presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of the city of New-Brunswick, for a law to enable them to raise money, by lottery, to purchase the toll bridge at that place, and to make the same a free bridge:

Referred to Messrs. A. Cruser, Kline, and Clifford.

Mr. Jackson, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to lease oyster lands at Perth Amboy to certain individuals;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

On motion,

Ordered, That two additional members be added to the committee to whom was referred the bill relative to a draw in the bridge over South river.

Ordered, That Mr. W. Cruser be excused from serving on the above mentioned committee; whereupon, Mr. Schenck was appointed to fill his place.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Jersey city and Harsimus Cemetry,"

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YAYS.

Messrs. Barton,	Messrs. A. Cruser,
Baldwin,	W. Cruser,
Bennet,	Davis,

Mess.	Deacon,	*Mess.*	Monro,
	Demarest,		Ray,
	Ewing,		L. Randolph,
	Hancock,		Schenck,
	Hillard,		Shackelton,
	Jackson,		Smith,
	Kline,		Stratton,
	Meeker,		Summerill,
	Merkel,		Terhune,
	McChesney,		Van Riper,
	McDowell,		Ward,
	McIlvaine,		Wilson—31
	McKoy,		

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Ireland,
	Barrett,		Leaming,
	Black,		Lippincott,
	Campion,		Marshall,
	Clifford,		Nelson,
	Ellis,		Reeves,
	Howey,		Stokes,
	Hull,		Wurts, speaker—16

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to authorise Aaron Pancoast and Thomas Edwards, of the county of Salem, to sell certain real estate of the heirs of Dr. Samuel Risley, late of said county, deceased."

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question.

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Ewing,
	Barton,		Howey,
	Barrett,		Ireland,
	Baldwin,		Kline,
	Bennet,		Leaming,
	Campion,		Lippincott,
	Clifford,		Marshall,
	A. Cruser,		Meeker,
	W. Cruser,		Merkel,
	Deacon,		McChesney,
	Demarest,		McDowell,
	Ellis,		McIlvaine,

Mess.	McKoy,	*Mess.*	Stokes,
	Nelson,		Stratton,
	Ray,		Summerill,
	L. Randolph,		Terhune,
	Reeves,		Van Riper,
	Schenck,		Ward,
	Shackelton,		Wilson—39
	Smith,		

NAYS.

Mess.	Black,	*Mess.*	Hull,
	Davis,		Jackson,
	Hancock,		Monro,
	Hillard,		Wurts, speaker—8

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill to incorporate the Elizabethtown and Somerville Rail-road Company,

Was taken up, and considered by section, when, on motion, the same was ordered to be postponed.

Mr. Kline presented petitions from inhabitants of Somerset, in favor of said bill;

Which were read and ordered to lie on the table.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had disagreed to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act for altering and resettling part of the boundary line between the counties of Middlesex and Somerset."

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, January 27, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. McIlvaine presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of this State, against the passage of any law preventing the circulation of Tickets, issued by individuals, of less denomination than five dollars;

Which was read and referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. Valentine presented a petition from certain inhabitants of Warren county, for a law to prevent the circulation of bank notes of less denomination than five dollars;

Which was read and referred to the same committee as above.

Mr. Kline, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to authorise

the sale of the real estate of Susan Page and others, in the county of Somerset;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Smith, from committee on that subject, made the following report in relation to the state lands at Paterson, viz.

That, in the opinion of the committee, it would be inexpedient, and inconsistant with the interest of the state, to order said lands to be disposed of at this time;

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Marshall, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to incorporate a Bank at Lambertsville, in Hunterdon county;

Which was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Meeker, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to incorporate a company to connect, by a rail-road, the Morris Canal with the Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Smith presented a memorial from the Directors of the Newark Turnpike, relative to the passage of the law incorporating the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail-road Company:

Ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to incorporate the Elizabethtown and Somerville Rail-road Company, was taken up, when, on motion, the 15th section of the same was ordered to be reconsidered; and the same having been amended, said bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The report of the committee to whom was referred the subject of the repeal of the law establishing the medical societies of this state,

Was taken up—the discussion which arose on the question of adopting said resolution occupied the House until the usual hour of adjourning. Mr. Ewing addressed the House against the report, and Mr. Schenck in favor of it.

Adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. McIlvaine, from the committee on that subject, reported a supplement to the act respecting small notes for the payment of money;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Jackson, from the committee to whom was referred the subject of a division of the township of Pequannack, in the county of Morris, made the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of a number of the inhabitants of the township of Pepuannack, in the county of Morris, praying for the division of said township, "to include so much of the eastern part of the said township of Pequannack as lies between the Pequannack, Passaic and Rockaway rivers, and a line to be run from some point on the Rockaway river, near the Boonton Falls, northerly through the mountains, to some point on the Pequannack river, near Bloomingdale, to be called the township of Lafayette." beg leave to report—

That they deem it inexpedient that the subject matter of said division should be decided by this Legislature: but that, with a view to the justness of the claims of all parties, your committee are of opinion that the applicants have leave to present a bill for such division of the township of Pequannack aforesaid, on the first Wednesday in November next; and that they give public notice of their intention to present such bill in both of the newspapers printed in Morristown, for three weeks immediately preceding.

JOSEPH JACKSON, Chairman of the Committee.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Jackson, from committee on that subject, reported a bill supplementary to the act enabling owners of low lands and swamps to drain the same;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Jackson, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill for a road from Dover, in Morris county, to Andover and Sparta, in Sussex;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

The report of the committee on the application for a repeal of the medical society law,

Was again taken up, when, on motion, the further consideration of the same was postponed.

The bill for the erection of a new State Prison,

Was taken up, and, after considerable discussion, the first section having been disagreed to, said bill was ordered to be postponed.

The bill for the more easy sale of mortgaged premises,

Was taken up, read a second time, when a motion to postpone the same prevailed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the following bills from the House of Assembly, without amendment, viz.

"An act for the relief of Hugh Aggings;"

"An act to authorise Peter Spader and James S. Nevius, administrators, with the will annexed, of John Dennis, Jr. deceased, to convey certain real estate to James Fisher;" And

"An act dividing the township of Aquackanonk, in the county of Essex, into two townships."

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, January 28, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. McKoy presented a petition from inhabitants of Deckertown and Newton, in Sussex county, relative to the Deckertown Turnpike;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. McKoy, Wilson and Monro.

Mr. Black offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House will rise on Thursday the 10th day of February next, 1831.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to incorporate the Lambertsville Bank,

Was read a second time, when, on motion, the same was postponed.

The bill to shorten the navigation of Salem Creek, by cutting a canal,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The amendments made in Council to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, low lands and swamps adjoining Pequest river and its branches, in the townships of Oxford and Independence, in the county of Warren, to clear the same, and straighten their channels within the limits therein mentioned,"

Were taken up, read, and the same agreed to, and said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The bill to authorise Azariah Davis to fulfil a contract made by Jno. Cummings, deceased, in his life time,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had agreed to the joint resolution, appointing Andrew P. Hopper to take charge of the state lands at Paterson, without amendment;

Also, that Council had passed the following bills from the House of Assembly, without amendment, viz.:

"An act to confirm certain acknowledgments of deeds and other instruments, taken by Thomas Haines;" And

"An act respecting the real estate of William Salter, deceased."

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to enable the owners of land adjoining Dismal Brook to open and clear the same, within the limits therein mentioned,"

Was taken up, and progressed in, when the same was, on motion, postponed.

The bill to divorce Mary Jones from her husband, Abel Jones,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to authorise the sale of the real estate of Susan Page, Elizabeth Sayner, and Abigail Gidis, was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Black, from committee on that subject, reported a bill supplementary to the act concerning roads;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Cruser, with leave, presented a bill supplementary to the act incorporating the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Clifford, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to raise the sum of dollars for the year 1831;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Ireland, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill for the relief of Thompson Price;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

Ordered, That the printing of the same be dispensed with.

The bill authorising a rail-road to connect the Morris Canal with the Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road,

Was read a second time, and further progressed in, when, on motion, the same was, for the present, postponed.

The bill relative to small notes or tickets, of less denomination than five dollars,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The supplement to the act concerning roads, passed 9th February, 1818,

Was read a second time, and, on motion, the same was ordered to be postponed.

The bill to erect a new State Prison,

Was taken up, and, on motion, the vote disagreeing to the first section was *Ordered* to be reconsidered;

After which, said bill was postponed.

Mr. Hancock, with leave, presented a bill, supplementary to the act for the punishment of crimes, passed February 17, 1829;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, January 29, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. Baldwin presented a petition from inhabitants of Essex, for an alteration in the law for the protection of sheep;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Baldwin, Hillard and Kline.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to divorce Mary Jones, of the county of Cumberland, from her husband, Abel Jones,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barrett,	*Mess.*	Ewing,
	Bennet,		Hillard,
	Clifford,		Ireland,
	Deacon,		Leaming,
	Ellis,		Lippincott.

Mess.	Marshall,	*Mess.*	Schenck,
	Meeker,		Stratton,
	Ray,		Wilson—17
	Reeves,		

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	McDowell,
	Barton,		McKoy,
	Baldwin,		Monro,
	Black,		L. Randolph,
	Campion,		J. Randolph,
	A. Cruser,		Shackelton,
	Hancock,		Stokes,
	Howey,		Terhune,
	Hull,		Valentine,
	Kline,		Ward,
	Meeker,		Wurts, speaker—23
	McChesney,		

The supplement to the Delaware and Raritan Canal bill,

Was taken up, read a second time, and further progressed in, when the same was, on motion, postponed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed a joint resolution, directing the printing of five hundred copies of the journal of the votes and proceedings of the Convention of New-Jersey, held in 1776, and request the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

The joint resolution from Council, directing the printing of five hundred copies of the votes and proceedings of the New-Jersey Convention of 1776,

Was taken up, and, on motion, passed through the several readings, and the same agreed to, unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said resolution.

Ordered, That the clerk carry the same to Council, and inform them that the House of Assembly have passed it, without amendment.

The bill to authorise a rail-road to connect the Morris Canal with the Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road,

Was considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to erect a swing gate on a certain road leading through the farm of Abraham Tyson to Manasquan river,

Was taken up, and ordered to be postponed to the next session of the Legislature.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to establish a new township in the county of Gloucester, to be called the township of Camden,"

Was read a second time, when, on motion, the same was ordered to be postponed.

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, they do adjourn until Monday morning next, 10 o'clock.

The House adjourned to Monday morning next, 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, January 31, 1831.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

Mr. Valentine presented a petition from inhabitants of Warren county, relative to Sutlers;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Valentine, Merkel and Ray.

Mr. McIlvaine presented sundry petitions from inhabitants of Trenton and vicinity, relative to the creation of water power at said city;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. McIlvaine, Ewing and Schenck.

Mr. Valentine, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill relating to Hawkers, Pedlars, and Petty Chapmen;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The engrossed bill, entitled "An act to authorise Azariah Davis, administrator of John Cummings, deceased, to fulfil certain contract therein named;"

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Marshall,
	Barton,		Merkel,
	Barrett,		McIlvaine,
	Baldwin,		McKoy,
	Bennet,		Monro,
	Campion,		Ray,
	Clifford,		L. Randolph,
	Davis,		J. Randolph,
	Deacon,		Reeves,
	Ewing,		Schenck,
	Hillard,		Shalkelton,
	Howey,		Stokes,
	Hull,		Stratton,
	Ireland,		Terhune,
	Kline,		Valentine,
	Leaming,		Ward,
	Lippincott,		Wilson—34

NAYS.

Mess.	Hancock,	Wurts, speaker—2

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The re-engrossed bill entitled "An act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, low lands and swamps adjoining Pequest river and its

branches, in the townships of Oxford and Independence, in the county of Warren, to clear the same, and straighten the channels within the limits therein mentioned,"

Was read as amended in Council, when, on motion, the same was postponed.

The bill for the relief of Thompson Price,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and the same ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The supplement to the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company,

Was taken up, and, having been read a second time, the first section of the same was agreed to, and several amendments being offered to the second section, said bill was, on motion, postponed, and the amendments ordered to be printed.

The bill to erect a swing gate on the farm of Thomas Cook,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill for compensating grand jurors,

Was read a second time, when, on motion, the first section of the same was ordered to be striken out, when said bill was ordered to be dismissed.

The supplement to the act concerning roads, passed 9th February, 1818,

Was taken up, and ordered to be postponed to the next session of the Legislature.

The supplement to the act for the punishment of crimes, passed 17th Feb. 1829,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be postponed; when the House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Davis presented a petition from Lydia Russell, for relief;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Davis, L. S. Randolph and Barton.

Mr. McKoy, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill in relation to the Deckertown and Newton Turnpike;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Ordered, That the printing of said bill be dispensed with.

The re-engrossed bill entitled "An act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, low lands, and swamps adjoining Pequest river and its branches, in the townships of Oxford and Independence, in the county of Warren, to clear the same, and straighten the channels within the limits therein mentioned,"

Having been read as amended,

And on the question, shall this bill pass?

The same was decided in the affirmative, as follows

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Meeker,
	Barton,		Merkel,
	Barrett,		McChesney,
	Baldwin,		McDowell,
	Bennet,		McIlvaine,
	Black,		McKoy,
	Campion,		Monro,
	Clifford,		Ray,
	A. Cruser,		L. Randolph,
	W. Cruser,		J. Randolph,
	Davis,		Reeves,
	Deacon,		Schenck,
	Ellis,		Shackelton,
	Ewing,		Stokes,
	Hillard,		Stratton,
	Howey,		Terhune,
	Hull,		Valentine,
	Ireland,		Ward,
	Leaming,		Wilson,
	Lippincott,		Wurts, speaker—41
	Marshall,		

NAY.

Mr. Hancock—1

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendments made thereto, in Council, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act establishing a rail-road connecting the Morris Canal with the Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road,"

Was read a third time and compared;

When the same was, on motion, ordered to be postponed.

Mr. J. F. Randolph, with leave, presented a bill supplementary to the act establishing the Charter rights of the Borough of Elizabeth;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The supplement to the Delaware and Raritan canal bill,

Was taken up, and the second section of the same amended, and the same having been gone through with by section, was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act establishing a new township in the county of Gloucester, to be called the township of Camden,"

Was taken up, and having been previously read a second time, the first section of the same was disagreed to, and, on motion, ordered to be stricken out; after which, said bill was ordered to be dismissed.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have disagreed to said bill.

Ordered, That leave of absence be granted to the Speaker.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, February 1, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

The Speaker having obtained leave of absence, William B. Ewing, Esq. of Cumberland, was unanimously appointed Speaker pro tempore.

The engrossed bill authorising the sale of the real estate of Susan Page, Elizabeth Tayner, and Abigail Gidis, situate in the county of Somerset,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Merkel,
	Barton,		McChesney,
	Barrett,		McDowell,
	Baldwin,		McIlvaine,
	Bennet,		McKoy,
	Black,		Monro,
	Campion,		Nelson,
	Clifford,		Ray,
	A. Cruser,		J. Randolph,
	W. Cruser,		Reeves,
	Deacon,		Schenck,
	Ewing,		Shackelton,
	Hillard,		Smith,
	Howey,		Stokes,
	Hull,		Stratton,
	Ireland,		Summerill,
	Kline,		Terhune,
	Leaming,		Ward,
	Lippincott,		Wilson—39
	Marshall,		

NAYS.

Messrs.	Davis,		L. Randolph—3
	Hancock,		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled a supplement to an "An act entitled an act concerning small notes for the payment of money, passed Feb. 19, 1830,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Ireland,
	Barton,		Lippincott,
	Black,		Marshall,
	Clifford,		McDowell,
	A. Cruser,		McIlvaine,
	Davis,		Nelson,
	Deacon,		Reeves,
	Ewing,		Schenck,
	Hillard,		Stokes,
	Howey,		Stratton,
	Hull,		Terhune—22

NAYS.

Mess.	Barrett,	*Mess.*	McKoy,
	Baldwin,		Monro,
	Bennet,		Ray,
	Campion,		L. Randolph,
	W. Cruser,		J. Randolph,
	Ellis,		Shackelton,
	Hancock,		Smith,
	Leaming,		Summerill,
	Meeker,		Ward,
	Merkel,		Wilson—21
	McChesney,		

The engrossed bill entitled "An act authorising a rail-road connecting the Morris Canal with the Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road,"

Having been previously read a third time and compared, passed the House as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barrett,	*Mess.*	McDowell,
	Bennet,		McIlvaine,
	Black,		Monro,
	Campion,		Nelson,
	A. Cruser,		Ray,
	W. Cruser		L. Randolph,
	Deacon,		J. Randolph,

Messrs. Ellis,	Messrs. Reeves,
Ewing,	Schenck,
Hancock,	Shackelton,
Hillard,	Smith,
Kline,	Stratton,
Lippincott,	Summerill,
Meeker,	Terhune,
Merkel,	Ward,
McChesney,	Wilson—32

NAYS.

Mess. Armstrong,	*Mess.* Hull,
Barton,	Ireland,
Baldwin,	Leaming,
Clifford,	Marshall,
Davis,	McKoy,
Howey,	Stokes—12

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill relative to the Deckertown and Newton Turnpike road,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The engrossed bill entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act to incorporate the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company," passed 4th February, 1830,

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question, Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Lippincott,
Barton,	Marshall,
Barrett,	Merkel,
Bennet,	McChesney,
Black,	McDowell,
Campion,	McIlvaine,
A. Cruser,	McKoy,
W. Cruser,	Monro,
Deacon,	Nelson,
Ellis,	Ray,
Ewing,	L. Randolph,
Hancock,	Reeves,
Hillard,	Schenck,
Howey,	Shackelton,
Hull,	Stokes.

Messrs. Ireland.	Messrs. Stratton.
Kline,	Summerill.
Leaming.	Wilson—36

NAYS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. Smith,
Clifford,	Terhune,
Davis,	Valentine,
Meeker,	Ward—9
J. Randolph,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill to erect a new Prison for this State,

Was called up, and made the order of the day for to-morrow, Wednesday, February 2d.

The bill relative to the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company,

Was taken up, when, on motion, the further consideration of the same was postponed.

Mr. A. Cruser, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill in relation to a draw in the bridge over South river, in Middlesex county ;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Schenck, from the committee to whom was referred that part of the Governor's Message relating to common schools, reported by bill ;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. McIlvaine, from the committee to whom was referred various petitions from the inhabitants of Trenton and its vicinity, for a law to create water power at said city, reported by bill ;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill supplementary to the act for the punishment of crimes, passed February 17, 1829,

Was read a second time, when the first and only section of the same was disagreed to, and ordered to be striken out, and said bill ordered to be dismissed.

Mr. McChesney offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire what alterations, if any are necessary, in the act incorporating the inhabitants of townships, designating their power, and regulating their meetings, passed Feb. 21, 1798;

Which was read and agreed to, and Messrs. McChesney, Hancock and Ward appointed.

Ordered, That a committee be appointed to report to the House what business remains on the files of the House to be acted on the present sitting;

Whereupon, Messrs. Valentine, Armstrong and Barrett were appointed.

The tax bill was taken up, and, after having been progressed in. the same was postponed.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Meeker presented a petition from the Paterson Bank, for relief from tax;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Meeker, Hull and Terhune.

Mr. Smith presented a petition from Isaac Andruss and Lewis M. Force, in behalf of themselves and the citizens of the town of Newark generally, for a law to authorise a rail-road from that place to the Hudson river, opposite the city of New-York;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Smith, McDowell and Nelson.

Mr. J. Randolph presented petitions from the county of Essex, relative to a rail-road from the Hudson to the Delaware, across the State;

Which were read and referred to Messrs. J. Randolph, Monro and Merkel.

Mr. McDowell presented a petition from Robert Lee, for relief in relation to a reward offered for the apprehension of certain criminals;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. McDowell, Ray and Bennet.

Mr. L. Randolph presented a petition from inhabitants of Middlesex, for a law to create the toll bridge at New-Brunswick a free bridge;

Which was referred to the committee on that subject.

Mr. A. Cruser, from the committee to whom was referred No. 17 of unfinished business, a bill to erect a draw in the bridge over South river, in Middlesex county,

Reported by bill;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Valentine, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill relative to Sutlers;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Davis, from the committee to whom was referred the subject of a canal to connect Barnagat Bay with Manasquan river,

Reported by bill;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to authorise a Swing Gate on the farm of Thomas Cook, on a road leading to Manasquan river,"

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Marshall,
	Barton,		Merkel,
	Baldwin,		McChesney,
	Bennet,		McDowell,
	Black,		M'Ilvaine,
	Campion,		McKoy,
	Clifford,		Monro,
	Davis,		Nelson,
	Deacon,		Ray,
	Demarest		J. Randolph,
	Ellis,		Reeves.

Messrs.	Ewing,	Messrs.	Schenck,
	Hancock,		Shackelton,
	Hillard,		Smith,
	Howey,		Summerill,
	Ireland,		Terhune,
	Kline,		Wilson—35
	Lippincott,		

NAYS.

Messrs.	Barrett,	Messrs.	Stokes,
	W. Cruser,		Stratton.
	Hull,		Valentine,
	Leaming,		Ward—8

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act for the relief of Thompson Price,"

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Leaming,
	Baldwin,		Marshall,
	Bennet,		Merkel,
	Black,		McChesney,
	Campion,		McIlvaine,
	A. Cruser,		Nelson,
	W. Cruser,		J. Randolph,
	Deacon,		Reeves,
	Ellis,		Schenck,
	Ewing,		Smith,
	Howey,		Stratton,
	Ireland,		Summerill,
	Kline,		Wilson—26

NAYS.

Mess.	Barton,	*Mess.*	McKoy,
	Barrett.		Monro,
	Clifford,		Ray,
	Demarest,		L. Randolph,
	Hancock,		Shackelton,
	Hull,		Stokes,
	Hillard,		Terhune,
	Meeker,		Valentine,
	McDowell,		Ward—18

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Elizabethtown and Somerville Rail-road Company,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barrett,	*Mess.*	McDowell,
	Baldwin,		McIlvaine,
	Black,		Ray,
	Campion,		L. Randolph,
	A. Cruser,		J. Randolph,
	W. Cruser,		Reeves,
	Deacon,		Schenck,
	Demarest,		Smith,
	Ewing,		Stokes,
	Hancock,		Stratton,
	Kline,		Summerill,
	Meeker,		Terhune,
	McChesney,		Ward—26

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Lippincott,
	Barton,		Marshall,
	Bennet,		Merkel,
	Clifford,		McKoy,
	Ellis,		Monro,
	Hillard,		Nelson,
	Howey,		Shackelton,
	Hull,		Valentine,
	Ireland,		Wilson—18

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry the same to Council, and request their concurrence.

The supplement to the act relative to Hawkers, Pedlars and Petty Chapmen,

Was read a second time, and, on motion, the further consideration of the same was postponed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed a bill entitled "An act requiring the boards of chosen freeholders in this State to make an annual exhibit of their accounts;"

And also a bill entitled "An act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, marsh and swamp adjoining Repaupe Creek, in the county of Glou-

cester, to erect and maintain banks, dams, and water works sufficient to prevent the tide from overflowing the same;"

To which bills they request the concurrence of the House of Assembly.

Also, that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to authorise Aaron Pancoast and Thomas Edwards, of the county of Salem, to sell certain real estate of the heirs of Dr. Samuel Risley, late of said county, deceased," without amendment.

The bills from Council, mentioned in the preceding message, were then read, and severally ordered second readings.

The supplement to the act relative to Hawkers, Pedlars and Petty Chapmen,

Was again taken up, and progressed in, when the same was ordered to be postponed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed a bill entitled "An act to anthorise Abraham Bockover, surviving executor of the last will and testament of James Anderson, late of the township of Bernards, in the county of Somerset, deceased, to sell and convey a certain farm or lot of land and premises, and to divide the proceeds thereof, according to the directions of the said last will and testament," and request the concurrence of the House of Assembly thereto;

Whereupon, said bill was read, and ordered a second reading.

The rule having been dispensed with, the bill from Council entitled "An act requiring the boards of chosen freeholders in this State to make an annual exhibit of their accounts,"

Was read a second time, and the same ordered to a third reading.

The bill supplementary to the act relative to the charter rights of the Borough of Elizabeth,

Was read a second time, when the further consideration of the same was postponed.

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, February 2, 1831

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. Meeker presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Newark, for a law to incorporate the Newark Benevolent Aid Association;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Meeker, W. Cruser and Shackelton.

Mr. Jackson presented a petition from inhabitants of Sussex and Morris, relative to a proposed road in said counties:

Ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. L. Randolph presented a petition from inhabitants of Middlesex, for a repeal of the laws incorporating oyster companies;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. L. Randolph, Deacon and Bennet.

Mr. Ireland presented a petition from inhabitants of certain townships of Gloucester county, for a division of said county;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Ireland, Wilson and Summerill.

Mr. McDowell, from the committee on that subject,

Reported a bill for the relief of Robert Lee;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading, and the printing of the same dispensed with.

Mr. Hillard, from the committee on that subject,

Reported a bill relative to witnesses who attended the the trial of Henry Miller, Esq.

Which was read, and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Merkel, from the committee on that subject,

Reported a bill to incorporate the East Jersey Rail-road Company;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act requiring the boards of chosen freeholders in this State to make an annual exhibit of their accounts,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Marshall.
	Barton,		Merkel,
	Barrett.		McChesney,
	Baldwin,		McDowell,
	Bennet,		McIlvaine,
	Black,		McKoy,
	Campion,		Monro,
	A. Cruser,		Nelson,
	W. Cruser,		Ray,
	Davis,		L. Randolph,
	Deacon,		Reeves,
	Demarest,		Schenck,
	Ellis,		Shackelton,
	Ewing,		Stokes,
	Hillard,		Stratton,
	Howey,		Summerill,
	Jackson,		Terhune,
	Ireland.		Valentine,
	Kline,		Ward,
	Leaming,		Wilson—41
	Lippincott,		

NAY.

Mr. Hancock—1

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled "A supplement to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Deckertown and Newton Turnpike Company," passed the 27th day of January, 1814,

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question.

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,	Messrs. Marshall,
Barton,	Meeker,
Barrett,	Merkel,
Baldwin,	McChesney,
Bennet,	McDowell,
Black,	McIlvaine,
Campion,	McKoy,
Clifford,	Monro,
A. Cruser,	Nelson,
W. Cruser,	Ray,
Deacon,	L. Randolph,
Demarest,	Reeves,
Ellis,	Schenck,
Ewing,	Shackelton,
Hancock,	Smith,
Hillard,	Stokes,
Howey,	Stratton,
Jackson,	Summerill,
Ireland,	Terhune,
Kline,	Valentine,
Leaming,	Ward
Lippincott,	Wilson—44

NAY.

Mr. Davis—1

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill relative to the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company,

Was taken up, and progressed in, when, on motion, the further consideration of the same was postponed.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadow, marsh and swamp adjoining Repaupo Creek, in the county of Gloucester, to erect and maintain banks, dams and water works sufficient to prevent the tide from overflowing the same."

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled an act to incorporate a part of the township of Newton, in the county of Gloucester," passed February 13, 1828;

Also, a bill entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled an act for the suppression of vice and immorality," passed the 16th day of March, 1798;

To which bills the concurrence of the House of Assembly is requested:

Whereupon, said bills were read, and severally ordered to second readings.

Mr. Summerill, from the committee on that subject,

Reported a bill relative to the Salem and Philadelphia Manufacturing Company;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Meeker, from the committee on that subject,

Reported the following preamble and joint resolution relative to the Paterson Bank:

Whereas it has been made to appear, to the satisfaction of the Legislature, that the Paterson Bank has, annually, since its incorporation, paid a tax to the State of one half of one per cent. on the whole amount of its Capital Stock paid in, and also upon the bonus of $6000, paid to the State for its charter, and that a large part of the capital stock, upon which the said tax was paid, was sunk by losses sustained many years ago; and that the said bank was compelled, in the month of July, Anno Domini 1829, to suspend specie payments, and was thereupon enjoined, by the Chancellor of this State, from banking operations: And whereas the stockholders of the said Bank have suffered great loss, and the company is now about to close its concerns—and inasmuch as it appears reasonable and just that the said bank should be relieved from the payment of the taxes that have become due to the state since the first day of January, Anno Domini 1829, in consequence of the circumstances aforesaid, THEREFORE

Resolved, By the Council and General Assembly of this State, That the said Paterson Bank be released from the payment of the tax on its Capital Stock, which has become due to the State of New-Jersey since the first day of January, Anno Domini 1829: And that the Treasurer of this State be, and he is hereby directed to suspend the collection of the said tax, and all taxes which may become due on the Capital Stock of the said Paterson Bank, until the said Bank shall resume banking operations.

Which was read, and ordered a second reading.

Mr. McChesney, from the committee on that subject,

Reported a bill relative to the incorporation of townships;

Which was read, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. A. Cruser presented a petition from Thomas Gordon, for relief;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. A. Cruser, Stokes and Valentine.

Ordered, That leave be given to withdraw the papers in relation to the application of Mary Jones.

Mr. Davis, from the committee on that subject,

Reported a bill for the relief of Lydia Russell;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Ordered, That the printing of the same be dispensed with.

Ordered, That the printing of the bill in relation to the witnesses in the case of Henry Miller, Esq. be dispensed with.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, marsh and swamp adjoining Repaupo Creek, in the county of Gloucester, to erect and maintain banks, dams, and water works sufficient to prevent the tide from overflowing the same."

Was read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Marshall,
	Barton,		Meeker,
	Barrett,		Merkel,
	Baldwin,		McChesney,
	Bennet,		McDowell,
	Black,		McIlvaine,
	Campion,		McKoy,
	Clifford,		Monro,
	A. Cruser,		Nelson,
	W. Cruser,		Ray,
	Davis,		L. Randolph,
	Deacon,		Schenck,
	Demarest,		Shackelton,
	Ellis,		Smith,
	Ewing,		Stokes,
	Howey,		Stratton,
	Hull,		Summerill,
	Jackson,		Terhune,
	Ireland,		Valentine,
	Kline,		Ward,
	Leaming,		Wilson—43
	Lippincott,		

NAYS.

Mess.	Hancock,		Reeves—2

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, without amendment.

The bill relative to the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company,

Was taken up, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill for a new Prison for this State,

Was taken up, and the first section of the same disagreed to, when said bill was ordered to be postponed.

The bill supplemental to the act to drain low lands and swamps,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to establish common schools.

Was read a second time, when the further consideration of the same was postponed.

The rule having been dispensed with, the bill for the relief of certain persons,

Was read a second time, and further progressed in, when the same was postponed, and ordered to be printed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to amend the supplement to the act entitled an act to incorporate the Elizabethtown Mutual Assurance Company," passed 20th day of February, 1829, without amendment.

The bill from Council, entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act to incorporate the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company," passed 4th February, 1830,

Was called up, and the same disagreed to.

Ordered, That the cerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have disagreed to said bill.

The bill to erect a new Prison for this State,

Was again taken up, and, after considerable discussion, said bill was again postponed; when the

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, February 3, 1831.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

Mr. McChesney presented a petition from John Hartwell, for a divorce from his wife Rebecca;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. McChesney, Jackson and Ward.

Mr. Meeker from committee,

Reported a bill to incorporate the Newark Benevolent Mutual Aid Association;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

The joint resolution relative to the tax due the state from the Paterson Bank,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to erect a bridge over South river, at or near Washington, in Middlesex county,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be postponed.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act relative to the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Meeker,
	Barton,		Merkel,
	Black,		McChesney,
	Campion,		McDowell,
	Clifford,		McKoy,
	W. Cruser.		Nelson,
	Deacon,		Ray,
	Demarest.		L. Randolph,
	Ellis,		Reeves,
	Ewing,		Schenck.
	Hillard,		Stokes,
	Howey,		Stratton,
	Hull,		Summerill.
	Jackson,		Terhune,
	Ireland,		Valentine,
	Kline,		Ward,
	Leaming,		Wilson—35
	Lippincott.		

NAYS.

Mess.	Barrett,	*Mess.*	Hancock,
	Baldwin,		Monro,
	Bennet,		Shackelton,
	A. Cruser,		Smith—9
	Davis,		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill to establish common schools,

Was read a second time, and considered by section, when the engrossment of said bill was disagreed to by the House.

Mr. Black offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That this House is ready to go into joint meeting for the appoint

ment of such civil and military officers in this State as are necessary, and request Council to appoint the time and place of such meeting;

Which was read and agreed to.

The tax bill was taken up, and progressed in, when, on motion, the same was postponed.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. McKoy obtained leave of absence during the remainder of the session.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the following bills from the House of Assembly, without amendment, viz.:

"An act to authorise the sale of the real estate of Susan Page, Elizabeth Sayner, and Abigail Gidis, situate in the county of Somerset;" And

"An act to authorise Azariah Davis, administrator of John Cummings, deceased, to fulfil a certain contract therein named;" And also

"A supplement to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company, passed 4th February, 1830."

Mr. McDowell, from the committee to whom was referred No. 4 of unfinished business, "An act for the relief and settlement of the poor."

Reported the same without amendment;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. A. Cruser, from the committee on that subject,

Reported a bill relative to the map of New-Jersey;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The bill supplementary to the act incorporating the Bordentown and South Amboy Turnpike Company,

Was read a second time, and the first and only section of the same was disagreed to, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Lippincott,
	Barrett,		Merkel,
	Black,		McChesney,
	Campion,		Monro,
	Clifford,		Nelson,
	Deacon,		Ray,
	Ewing,		Shackelton,
	Hancock,		Smith,
	Hillard,		Stratton,
	Howey,		Summerill
	Jackson,		Valentine—23
	Ireland.		

NAYS.

Mess.	Baldwin,	*Mess.*	Leaming,
	Bennet,		McDowell,
	A. Cruser,		L. Randolph,
	Davis,		Reeves,
	Demarest,		Schenck,
	Ellis,		Stokes,
	Hull,		Terhune,
	Kline,		Wilson—16

After which, said bill was ordered to be dismissed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to authorise the construction of a canal connecting the Morris Canal with the Paterson and Hudson river Rail-road," without amendment.

Ordered, That the applicants have leave to withdraw the papers relative to a draw in the bridge at White's Landing, on South river, Middlesex county.

The bill for the relief of Robert Lee,

Was read a second time, and the first and only section of said bill disagreed to, and said bill ordered to be dismissed.

Ordered, That leave be given to withdraw the papers in relation to the application of Robert Lee.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, February 4, 1831

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. Clifford presented a petition from the Union Fire Company of the city of Trenton, for relief;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Clifford, Campion and Nelson.

Mr. Barton presented a petition from the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas, for an alteration in the law respecting appeals;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Barton, Armstrong and Ewing.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to authorise Casper Wister, Elisha Bassett and others, to shorten the navigation of Salem Creek, in the county of Salem, and State of New-Jersey, by cutting a canal,"

Was read a third time and compared, when, on motion, the same was postponed.

The engrossed joint resolution relative to the Paterson Bank,

Was read a third time and postponed.

The bill to incorporate the East Jersey Rail-road Company,

Was read a second time and postponed.

The report of the committee relative to medical societies

Was again taken up for consideration, and the same disagreed to, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Jackson,
	Baldwin,		Kline,
	Black,		Lippincott,
	Campion,		Meeker,
	A. Cruser,		Merkel,
	W. Cruser,		McChesney,
	Davis,		McDowell,
	Deacon		McIlvaine,
	Demarest,		L. Randolph,
	Ellis,		Schenck,
	Hillard,		Ward—23
	Hull,		

NAYS.

Mess.	Barton,	*Mess.*	Ray,
	Barrett,		Reeves,
	Bennet,		Shackelton,
	Clifford,		Smith,
	Ewing,		Stokes,
	Hancock,		Stratton,
	Howey,		Summerill,
	Ireland,		Terhune,
	Leaming,		Valentine,
	Marshall,		Wilson,
	Monro,		Wurts, speaker—23
	Nelson,		

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act relative to the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company," without amendment.

The message also informed the House that Council had appointed Tuesday the 15th inst. as the day on which they will be ready to go into a joint meeting, in the Assembly room, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock. P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. McIlvaine presented a petition from Thomas Cadwallader, Jr. for an alteration in the corporate limits of the city of Trenton;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. McIlvaine, Deacon and Davis.

Mr. L. Randolph presented a petition from Joseph McChesney, for relief;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. L. Randolph, Demarest and Howey.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to authorise the erection of a Swinging Gate on the road leading through the farm of Thomas Cook to Manasquan river," without amendment.

Also, that Council had passed the bill entitled "An act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, low lands and swamps adjoining Miry Run, in the counties of Burlington and Middlesex, to clear the same, within the limits therein mentioned;"

And request the concurrence of the House of Assembly; whereupon, said bill was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Jackson, from the committee to whom was referred the subject of the repeal of certain laws, made the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the memorial of sundry persons of the county of Morris, praying for a repeal of certain acts of the Legislature, appointing William S. Pennington, of the county of Essex, to carry into effect a trust therein named, passed 27th November, 1823, and the supplement thereto, passed 5th November, 1828, entitled a supplement to an act entitled an act to enable William S. Pennington, of the county of Essex, to carry into effect a trust therein named, passed on the 27th November, 1823, appointing Silas Condit and James Vanderpool, of the county of Essex, to execute the trust in the said mentioned act, beg leave to report, that they deem any legislative interference at this time unnecessary;

Which was read and agreed to.

Mr. Jackson, from the committee to whom was referred the application of the representatives of Thomas E. Bowlsby, for relief,

Reported the following preamble and joint resolution:

Whereas it has been made to appear, to the Legislature of this State, that thirty-nine stand of arms, the property of this State, were accidently destroyed by fire while in the possession, and under loan of the Quarter Master General of the State, of Captain Thomas E. Bowlsby, of the county of Morris, late deceased; and whereby the estate of the said Thomas E. Bowlsby may be held liable to pay the value thereof to the State,

Be it therefore Resolved, by the Council and General Assembly of this State, That the quarter master general of this State be, and he is hereby required to release and discharge the heirs and administrators of the said Thomas E. Bowlsby from any liability to pay to the State the value of said arms, so destroyed by fire.

Which resolution was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. L. Randolph requested leave to present a bill to authorise certain persons to put a draw in the bridge over the South river, at or near Ricketts' landing, in Middlesex county;

Which was refused, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Bennet,	*Mess.*	McIlvaine,
	A. Cruser,		Nelson,
	W. Cruser,		L. Randolph,
	Demarest,		Schenck,
	Ellis,		Shackelton,
	Hull,		Summerill,
	Kline,		Terhune,
	Leaming,		Ward,
	Marshall,		Wilson,
	McDowell,		Wurts, speaker—20

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Howey,
	Barton,		Jackson,
	Barrett,		Ireland,
	Baldwin,		Meeker,
	Black,		Merkel,
	Campion,		McChesney,
	Clifford,		Monro,
	Davis,		Ray,
	Deacon,		Reeves,
	Ewing,		Smith,
	Hancock,		Valentine—23
	Hillard,		

The bill for the relief of certain persons, (witnesses in the case of Henry Miller)

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Ward presented a memorial from the President of the Morris Canal Company, relative to the construction of rail-roads from Newark to the Hudson river;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to incorporate the East Jersey Rail-road Company,

Was taken up, and progressed in, when, on motion, the same was postponed.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to authorise Casper Wister, Elisha Bassett and others, to shorten the navigation of Salem Creek, in the county of Salem, and State of New-Jersey, by cutting a canal,"

Having been read and compared, on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton,	Barrett,

Mess.	Campion,	*Mess.*	Nelson,
	Deacon,		Ray,
	Ellis,		Schenck,
	Hancock,		Summerill,
	Jackson,		Wilson—13
	Monro.		

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Leaming,
	Baldwin,		Marshall,
	Bennet,		Meeker,
	Black,		Merkel,
	Clifford,		McChesney,
	A. Cruser,		McDowell,
	W. Cruser,		McIlvaine,
	Davis,		Reeves,
	Demarest,		Shackelton,
	Ewing,		Smith,
	Hillard,		Terhune,
	Howey,		Valentine,
	Hull,		Ward,
	Ireland,		Wurts, speaker—29
	Kline,		

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to authorise Abraham Bockover, surviving executor of the last will and testament of James Anderson, late of the township of Bernards, in the county of Somerset, deceased, to sell and convey a certain farm or lot of land and premises, and to divide the proceeds thereof, according to the directions of the said last will and testament,"

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had disagreed to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled an act for the relief of creditors against absconding and absent debtors;"

And that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "A supplement to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Deckertown and Newton Turnpike Company," passed the 27th January, 1814, without amendment;

And also that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to authorise the sale of the real estate of Isaac Ogden, deceased," with sundry amendments—to which amendments the assent of the House is requested.

And also that Council had agreed to a joint resolution relative to the Census, to which, also, the assent of the House is requested.

The joint resolution mentioned in the preceding message,

Was read and ordered a second reading.

The amendments made in Council to the bill from the House of Assembly,

authorising the sale of the real estate of Isaac Ogden, were read and agreed to, and said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

Mr. Schenck, with leave, presented a bill relative to the appointment of the Clerk of the Court of Chancery;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

The resolution on the table, to rise on the 10th instant,

Was taken up, and amended so as to read, that this House will rise on the 17th inst.

When the same was agreed to.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, February 5, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. Meeker presented a petition from the Fire Association of Paterson;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Meeker, Terhune and Monro.

Mr. Deacon presented a petition from sundry inhabitants of Burlington county, relative to marsh meadow on Assiscunck Creek;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Deacon, Ireland and Leaming.

Mr. Jackson presented a petition from inhabitants of Morris county, for a law to authorise the construction of a rail-road from Rockaway to some point in Essex county;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Jackson, Marshall and Baldwin.

Mr. Meeker presented a petition from certain inhabitants of Essex county, for a draw bridge over the Creek at or near Elizabethtown;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Meeker, W. Cruser and Wilson.

Mr. McChesney, from committee, reported a bill to divorce John Hartwell from his wife Rebecca;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Ordered, That the printing of said bill be dispensed with.

Mr. Hancock presented a remonstrance against the application of John Hartwell, for a divorce;

Which was ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Baldwin, from the committee to whom was referred the subject of an alteration in the law for the protection of sheep, made the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the subject respecting the protection of sheep, beg leave to report, that it is inexpedient to legislate upon the same at this time;

Which was read and agreed to.

Mr. A. Cruser, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to authorise the purchase of the toll bridge at N. Brunswick, for the purpose of making it a free bridge;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Ordered, That the bill presented yesterday by Mr. Schenck, relative to the clerk of chancery, be printed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to authorise Abraham Bockover, surviving executor of the last will and testament of James Anderson, late of the township of Bernards, in the county of Somerset, deceased, to sell and convey a certain farm or lot of land and premises, and to divide the proceeds thereof, according to the directions of the said last will and testament."

Was read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Leaming,
	Barrett,		Marshall,
	Baldwin,		Meeker,
	Bennet,		Merkel,
	Black,		McChesney,
	Campion,		McDowell,
	Clifford,		McIlvaine,
	A. Cruser,		Monro,
	W. Cruser,		Nelson,
	Davis,		Ray,
	Deacon,		L. Randolph,
	Demarest,		Reeves,
	Ewing,		Schenck,
	Hancock,		Shackelton,
	Hillard,		Smith,
	Hull,		Summerill,
	Howey,		Terhune,
	Jackson,		Valentine,
	Ireland,		Ward,
	Kline,		Wilson—40

NAY.

Mr. Wurts, speaker—1

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The engrossed joint resolution, to release the Paterson Bank from taxes now due, having been previously read a third time and compared, was taken up, and the same agreed to.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill to create water power at the city of Trenton and its vicinity,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the

House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act for the relief of Aaron Dodd, Samuel Dodd, and Hiram Dodd," without amendment,

And also that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to incorporate the Jersey City and Harsimus Cemetery," with sundry amendments—to which, the assent of the House of Assembly is requested;

Whereupon, said amendments were read and agreed to, and said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The bill to incorporate the Mutual Aid Association of Newark,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill supplementary to the act respecting Hawkers, Pedlars and Petty Chapmen, having been materially altered and amended,

Was considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to appoint commissioners to lay out a certain road in Morris and Sussex counties,

Was read a second time, when, on motion, the first section of the same was stricken out.

Adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

A quorum not appearing, the House adjourned to 10 o'clock on Monday next.

MONDAY, February 7, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. Ray presented a petition from the President of the Salem Canal Company, for an alteration of their charter;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Ray, Davis and Stratton.

Mr. McIlvaine, from committee on that subject, reported a bill to contract the western limits of the city of Trenton;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Jackson, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to incorporate the Newark and Morris Rail-road Company;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill to authorise certain persons to construct a canal to connect Barnegat Bay with Manasquan river,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill relative to the Salem and Philadelphia Manuafacturing Company,
Was taken up, and the same postponed, and ordered to be printed.
The bill to erect a new Prison for this State,
Was taken up, and various amendments being offered to said bill, it was postponed, and the amendments ordered to be printed.
The bill from Council, entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled an act for the suppression of vice and immorality," passed 16th March, 1798,
Was read a second time, and considered by section, and ordered to a third reading.
The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Newark Mutual Aid Association,"
Was read a third time and compared, when the same was, on motion, postponed.
House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Ray, from committee, reported a bill supplementary to the law incorporating the Salem Canal Company;
Which was read, and ordered a second reading.
Mr. Jackson presented a remonstrance from sundry persons of Middlesex county against the repeal of the law for planting oysters, and for further privileges to protect the growth of oysters;
Which was read and referred to the committee on that subject.
The engrossed bill entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act to enable the owners of swamp or meadow ground to drain the same, and to repeal a law heretofore made for that purpose, passed 24th November, 1792, and for other purposes relating to fences,"
Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question,
Shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barrett,	*Mess.*	Jackson,
	Baldwin,		Ireland,
	Bennet,		Leaming,
	Campion,		Marshall,
	Clifford,		Merkel,
	A. Cruser,		McChesney,
	Davis,		McDowell,
	Demarest,		McIlvaine,
	Ellis,		Monro,
	Ewing,		Nelson,
	Hancock,		Ray,
	Hull,		L. Randolph,

Mess.	Schenck,	*Mess.*	Terhune,
	Shackelton,		Ward,
	Smith,		Wilson,
	Stratton,		Wurts, speaker—32

NAYS.

Mess.	W. Cruser,	Summerill—2

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill from Council, entitled "A further supplement to the act entitled an act for the suppression of vice and immorality," passed 16th March, 1798,

Was read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barrett,	*Mess.*	Merkel,
	Baldwin,		Monro,
	Clifford,		Nelson,
	Ewing,		Ray,
	Hancock,		Schenck,
	Jackson,		Smith,
	Ireland,		Stratton,
	Leaming,		Summerill—17
	Marshall.		

NAYS.

Mess.	Bennet,	*Mess.*	McChesney,
	Campion,		McDowell,
	A. Cruser,		McIlvaine,
	W. Cruser,		L. Randolph,
	Davis,		Shackelton,
	Demarest,		Terhune,
	Ellis,		Ward,
	Hull,		Wilson,
	Kline,		Wurts, speaker—18

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have disagreed to said bill.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate a company to create water power at the city of Trenton and its vicinity, and for other purposes,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Barrett,	Messrs. Merkel,
Baldwin,	McChesney,
Bennet,	McDowell,
Campion,	McIlvaine,
Clifford,	Monro,
A. Cruser,	Nelson,
W. Cruser,	Ray,
Demarest,	L. Randolph,
Ellis,	Schenck,
Ewing,	Shackelton,
Hancock,	Smith,
Jackson,	Stratton,
Ireland,	Summerill,
Kline,	Terhune,
Leaming,	Ward,
Marshall,	Wurts, speaker—32

NAYS.

Messrs. Davis,	Wilson—3
Hull,	

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill relative to the settlement of the poor,

Was taken up, and, on motion,

Ordered, That the same be printed.

The supplement to the act incorporating the inhabitants of townships,

Was read a second time, and the further consideration of the same postponed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed a bill entitled "An act respecting elections;" to which, they request the concurrence of the House of Assembly; whereupon, said bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act for the relief of certain persons,"

Was read a third time and compared, when, on motion, the same was ordered to be postponed.

Mr. Jackson offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Speaker be, and he is hereby authorised and empowered to convene the General Assembly at any time during the present session, whenever any extraordinary occasion shall, in his opinion, render it necessary, by publishing the same, and the time of meeting, in the newspapers printed in Trenton, in one at Morristown, one in Newark, one in Bridgeton, and one in Salem, at least two weeks previous to such time, which shall be deemed sufficient notice to the members of the House for their attendance;

Which was read and agreed to.

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, February 8, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

The Speaker laid before the House the following report from the Trustees of the School Fund:

To the Honorable, the Legislative Council,
and General Assembly of the State of New-Jersey:

The Trustees for the support of Free Schools respectfully submit to the Legislature a report of the present state of the school fund. An account of the present state and management of the fund is, by law, required to be laid before the Legislature, with the annual statement of the Treasurer's accounts. This duty has been annually performed since the creation of the fund, and the Trustees respectfully refer the Legislature to the report of the committee appointed to settle the accounts of the Treasurer, made at the last sitting, for a statement exhibiting, in detail, the several items now comprising the fund, its present amount, management, and increase, during the past year.

The Trustees are aware, that their present communication will present but little more than may be gathered from the statement above mentioned. Their present report is designed merely to present to the Legislature, in aid of that statement, a brief and condensed view of the actual state of the fund. Although the Trustees are not required, by positive law, to make an annual report to the Legislature of the execution of the trust committed to them, they, nevertheless, consider it to be within the scope of their duties, and beneficial in its tendency. The great responsibility of the Trustees, arising from the present magnitude of the fund, the general and lively interest taken by the public in its benevolent object, the favorable regard and fostering care of the Legislature, which have been uniformly extended to it, are cogent incentives with the Trustees, to keep both constituents and representatives well advised of its state and management. A report was submitted to the Legislature in January, 1830, by the Trustees, giving a detailed history of the fund, and its condition at that time. To that report the Trustees would respectfully refer, as containing much interesting information, connected with the origin, increase and resources of the common school fund of New-Jersey. That report affords the most satisfactory evidence of the able and faithful manner in which the fund had been managed by the present Treasurer of the State, under the direction of former trustees. At the annual meeting of the Trustees, on the 26th of October last, the accounts and vouchers of the Treasurer, for the past year, were produced by him, and carefully examined and compared, and found to be correct.

The certificates of stock comprising the fund, and held by the Treasurer, were also exhibited to the Trustees, and inspected. From the exhibits made by the Treasurer, it appeared that the actual value or amount of the fund, on the 27th of October, 1829, was $244,907,93, charged, however, with the sum of $40,000, being the apportionment made by the Trustees, under the act to establish Common Schools, passed February 24th, 1829, for the years 1829 and 1830.

The whole of the said sum of $40,000 was subsequently paid out by the Treasurer to the different county collectors.

On the 26th of October last, the actual value of the fund was $226,254,92; from which it appeared that the fund had increased, during the year then ending, in the sum of $1346,99, after deducting the appropriations for the years 1829 and 1830:—in other words, the increase of the fund for the past year, over and above the annual appropriation of $20,000, amounted to the sum of $1346,99, showing, conclusively, that the annual increase of the fund, from the existing sources, will meet the annual appropriation of $20,000 for the support of Common Schools, and leave a small balance to be added to the principal. About $208,000 of the fund are invested in United States and Pennsylvania State Stock—the balance in Newark Turnpike and Bank Stocks of our own State.

As the General Government intend redeeming a large amount of their stock during the ensuing summer, the Trustees expect that $80,290 of the fund, held in that stock, will then be paid in. Prompt measures will be taken to have the amount reinvested to the best advantage. The high premium which it will be necessary to pay for desirable stocks, may, however, diminish the increase for the current year. By the 12th section of the act to establish Common Schools, above referred to, it is made the duty of the clerks of the Boards of chosen Freeholders of the several counties in the State to make, and transmit to the Trustees of the School Fund, a report, in writing, of the number of school districts in the several townships of their respective counties, the length of time a school shall have been kept in each, the amount of monies received in each township by the town collectors of said township, and how the same has been expended, and the number of children educated in each district, between the ages of four and sixteen years, with such further information as they may think useful, to be condensed by them into a single report, to be laid before the Legislature by the said Trustees. By other provisions of the said act, however, no proceedings, except of a very partial nature, could be, or were had, under it, until the last spring; nor was its operation complete until after the last annual meeting of the several boards of chosen freeholders. The clerks of the several boards of freeholders, therefore, having received no reports from the different school committees, as required by the act, have made no returns, as yet, to the Trustees, nor do the Trustees expect to receive any until after the next annual meeting of the boards of freeholders. The Trustees hope to have it in their power to lay before the Legislature, at their next session, such a report as the act contemplates.

Respectfully submitted

P. D. VROOM, Jr.
EDWARD CONDIT,
SAMUEL L. SOUTHARD,
ALEXANDER WURTS,
JAMES D. WESTCOTT.

Trenton, February 7, 1831.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. McIlvaine presented a petition from the Resolution and Hand in Hand Fire Company of the city of Trenton, for relief;

Which was read and referred to the committee on the subject.

Mr. A. Cruser presented a petition from inhabitants of Perth Amboy, for an act of incorporation for certain purposes;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. A. Cruser, Ewing and Kline.

Mr. McDowell, from the committee on the subject of the application of Elizabeth Lyle for a law to authorise the sale of certain real estate,

Reported by bill;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Meeker, from the committee on the subject, reported a bill relative to the Paterson Fire Association;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Newark Mutual Aid Association," having been previously read a third time and compared, was passed by the House as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Meeker,
	Barton,		Merkel,
	Barrett,		McChesney,
	Baldwin,		McDowell,
	Bennet,		Monro,
	Campion,		Nelson,
	A. Cruser,		Ray,
	W. Cruser,		L. Randolph,
	Davis,		J. Randolph,
	Deacon,		Reeves,
	Demarest,		Schenck,
	Ellis,		Shackelton,
	Ewing,		Smith,
	Hancock,		Stratton,
	Hillard,		Summerill,
	Howey,		Terhune,
	Hull,		Ward,
	Ireland,		Wilson,
	Kline,		Wurts, speaker—39
	Marshall,		

NAY.

Mr. Leaming—1

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The re-engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Jersey city and Harsimus Cemetery,"

Was read as amended in Council, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton,	*Mess.*	Merkel,
	Baldwin,		McChesney,
	Bennet,		McDowell,
	Campion,		McIlvaine,
	A. Cruser,		Monro,
	W. Cruser,		Ray,
	Davis,		J. Randolph,
	Deacon,		Schenck,
	Demarest,		Shackelton,
	Ewing,		Smith,
	Hancock,		Stratton,
	Hillard,		Summerill,
	Jackson,		Terhune,
	Ireland,		Ward,
	Kline,		Wilson,
	Marshall,		Wurts, speaker—33
	Meeker,		

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Hull,
	Barrett,		Leaming,
	Clifford,		Lippincott,
	Ellis,		Nelson,
	Howey,		Reeves—10

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly hav agreed to the amendments made thereto, in Council, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The bill to incorporate the Lambertsville Bank,

Was taken up, and a motion to strike out the first section of the same was disagreed to, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	McDowell,
	Barrett.		Ray,
	Campion,		L. Randolph,
	Davis,		Reeves,
	Ewing,		Stokes,
	Ireland,		Stratton,
	Leaming,		Summerill,
	Lippincott,		Ward—16

NAYS.

Mess.	Barton,	*Mess.*	Kline,
	Baldwin,		Marshall,
	Bennet,		Meeker,
	Black,		Merkel,
	Clifford,		McChesney,
	A. Cruser,		McIlvaine,
	W. Cruser,		Monro,
	Deacon,		Nelson,
	Demarest,		J. Randolph,
	Ellis,		Schenck,
	Hancock,		Shackelton,
	Hillard,		Smith,
	Howey,		Terhune,
	Hull,		Wilson,
	Jackson,		Wurts, speaker—30

After which, said bill was considered by section, and ordered to be re-engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to divorce John Hartwell from his wife Rebecca,

Was read a second time, and the first and only section of the same disagreed to, when, on motion, said bill was ordered to be dismissed.

The bill to construct a draw bridge over South river, near the village of Washington,

Was taken up, and progressed in, when, on motion, the same was ordered to be postponed.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. McIlvaine presented a petition from inhabitants of Hunterdon county, for a law to authorise the erection of a bridge over the Delaware, at Tomlinson's, or eight mile ferry;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. McIlvaine, McDowell and Wilson.

Mr. Marshall presented petitions of the same nature;

Which were referred as above.

Mr. Deacon, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill relative to the tide marsh within the limits of the city of Burlington;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. McDowell, with leave, presented a bill for the relief of Robert Lee;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Ordered, That leave be given to withdraw the papers relative to the application of John Hartwell for divorce.

Mr. A. Cruser, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to incor

porate a company at the city of Perth Amboy, for manufacturing and other purposes;

Which was read and ordered to a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act for the relief of certain persons,"

Having been previously read a third time and compared, on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton,	*Mess.*	Meeker,
	Bennet,		Merkel,
	Clifford,		McDowell,
	A. Cruser,		McIlvaine,
	Deacon,		Monro,
	Ellis,		L. Randolph,
	Hillard,		Reeves,
	Hull,		Schenck,
	Jackson,		Shackelton,
	Leaming,		Wilson,
	Marshall.		Wurts, speaker—23

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Lippincott,
	Barrett,		McChesney,
	Baldwin,		Nelson,
	Black,		Ray,
	Campion,		J. Randolph,
	Davis,		Smith,
	Demarest,		Stokes,
	Ewing,		Stratton,
	Hancock,		Summerill,
	Howey,		Terhune,
	Ireland,		Ward—23
	Kline,		

The bill to incorporate the East Jersey Rail-road Company,

Was taken up, and progressed in, when, on motion, the same was postponed.

Mr. Terhune presented a remonstrance from the selectmen of Jersey, against the said bill;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Ordered, That the bill to incorporate the New-Jersey Rail-road be recommitted.

Mr. A. Cruser, with leave, presented a bill, designating the description of the bushel measure to be used in measuring lime;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The bill for the erection of a bridge over South river.

Was taken up, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill on the table, relative to the medical societies of this State,

Was taken up, and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The bill from Council, entitled "A further supplement to the act incorporating a part of the township of Newton, in the county of Gloucester, passed February 13, 1828,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered a third reading.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to enable the owners and possessors of meadows, low lands and swamps adjoining Miry Run, in the counties of Burlington and Middlesex, to clear the same within the limits therein mentioned,"

Was read a second time, when, on motion, the same was postponed.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to enable the owners of land adjoining Dismal Brook to open and clear the same, within the limits therein mentioned,"

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered a third reading.

The bill relative to the Map of New-Jersey,

Was read a second time, and further progressed in, when the further consideration of the same was postponed.

Mr. Ellis, with leave, presented a bill for the more just representation of the county of Monmouth;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, February 9, 1831.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

Mr. Baldwin presented a petition from inhabitants of the township of Rahway, in Essex county, for an alteration in the law establishing the charter rights of the borough of Elizabeth;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Baldwin, Terhune and McChesney.

Mr. Howey, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill relative to certain meadow lands on Oldman's Creek, in Gloucester county;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Hillard offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to inquire whether any alterations are necessary in the act making provision for carrying into effect the punishment of crime;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Mr. Ireland, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill for the erection of a new county from part of the county of Gloucester, to be called the county of Atlantic;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The bill from Council entitled " A further supplement to the act entitled an act to incorporate a part of the township of Newton, in the county of Gloucester," passed February 13, 1828,

Was read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Marshall,
	Barton,		Meeker,
	Barrett,		Merkel,
	Baldwin,		McChesney,
	Bennet,		McDowell,
	Black,		Monro,
	Campion,		Nelson,
	A. Cruser,		Ray,
	Davis,		L. Randolph,
	Deacon,		J. Randolph,
	Demarest,		Reeves,
	Ellis,		Schenck,
	Hillard,		Shackelton,
	Howey,		Smith,
	Hull,		Stokes,
	Jackson,		Stratton,
	Ireland,		Terhune,
	Kline,		Van Riper,
	Leaming,		Ward,
	Lippincott,		Wurts, speaker—40

NAY.

Mr. Hancock—1

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, without a nendment.

The engrossed bill entitled " An act to provide for the erection of a draw bridge over South river, in the county of Middlesex,

Was taken up and postponed.

The bill from Council, entitled " An act to enable the owners of land adjoining Dismal Brook to open and clear the same, within the limits therein mentioned,"

Was read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows.

YEAS.

Mess. Armstrong, Barton.

Messrs.	Barrett,	Messrs.	Marshall,
	Baldwin,		Meeker,
	Bennet,		Merkel,
	Black,		McChesney,
	Campion,		McDowell,
	Clifford,		Monro,
	W. Cruser,		Nelson,
	Davis,		Ray,
	Deacon,		L. Randolph,
	Demarest,		J. Randolph,
	Ellis,		Reeves,
	Ewing,		Schenck,
	Hillard,		Shackelton,
	Howey,		Smith,
	Hull,		Terhune,
	Ireland,		Van Riper,
	Leaming,		Wilson—37
	Lippincott,		

NAYS.

Mess.	Hancock,	*Mess.*	Stratton,
	Jackson,		Ward,
	Stokes,		Wurts, speaker—6

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to authorise James Osborn, Samuel F. Allen, Nicholas Van Wickle and others, to construct a canal to unite the waters of Barnagat Bay with Manasquan river, in the township of Howell, and county of Monmouth,"

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton,	*Mess.*	McChesney,
	Barrett,		McDowell,
	Bennet,		Ray,
	A. Cruser,		J. Randolph,
	Davis,		Reeves,
	Deacon,		Schenck,
	Hull,		Smith,
	Jackson,		Summerill,
	Ireland,		Terhune,
	Leaming,		Wilson,
	Merkel,		Wurts, speaker—22

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Howey,
	Baldwin,		Lippincott,
	Black,		Marshall,
	Campion,		Monro,
	Clifford,		Nelson,
	W. Cruser,		L. Randolph,
	Demarest,		Shackelton,
	Ellis,		Smith,
	Ewing,		Stratton,
	Hancock,		Van Riper,
	Hillard,		Ward—22

The bill for the more easy sale of mortgaged premises, having been read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the Oyster Association of Perth Amboy,

Was read a second time, when, on motion, the first section of the same was stricken out, by Yeas and Nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton,	*Mess.*	Meeker,
	Barrett,		Merkel,
	Bennet,		McChesney,
	Campion,		McDowell,
	Clifford,		McIlvaine,
	A. Cruser,		Nelson,
	Davis,		Ray,
	Deacon,		L. Randolph,
	Ellis,		J. Randolph,
	Ewing,		Summerill,
	Ireland,		Terhune,
	Lippincott,		Van Riper,
	Marshall,		Wilson—26

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Leaming,
	Baldwin,		Monro,
	Black,		Reeves,
	W. Cruser,		Schenck,
	Demarest,		Shackelton,
	Hancock,		Smith,
	Hillard,		Stokes,
	Howey,		Stratton,
	Hull,		Ward,
	Jackson,		Wurts, speaker—21
	Kline,		

Ordered, That said bill be dismissed.

Mr. Armstrong presented to the House the following exemplification of the assent of the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company to the act entitled "An act relative to the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company:"

By virtue and authority of a power vested in them, at a meeting of the stockholders of the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company, held this day, pursuant to public notice, by a resolution unanimously adopted at said meeting, the directors of said Company do hereby assent to the act entitled "An act relative to the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company," passed February 4th, 1831, and do accept the same as a part of the charter of said Company, and do direct and order, that this, their assent to, and acceptance of said act, be signed by the President and Secretary, and filed in the office of the Secretary of State, under the corporate seal of the Company.

L. S. In testimony whereof, we have hereunto set our hands and affixed the said seal, this seventh day of February, eighteen hundred and thirty-one.

ABRAHAM BROWN, President.

J. H. SLOAN, Secretary.

I, JAMES D. WESTCOTT, Secretary of the State of New-Jersey, do certify that the foregoing is a true copy of an instrument of writing signed by Abraham Brown, President, and J. H. Sloan, Secretary, of "The Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company," and under the corporate seal of said Company, deposited in my office, on the eighth day of February, A. D. one thousand, eight hundred and thirty-one, and filed by me therein the same day.

L. S. Given under my hand, and the seal of said office, at the city of Trenton, this ninth day of February, A. D. 1831.

JAMES D. WESTCOTT.

Whereupon, Mr. Armstrong offered the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, by an act of the Legislature of this State, passed the fourth day of this present month of February, entitled "An act relative to the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company," it was, among other things, enacted, that upon filing the assent of the said Company to the said act in the office of the Secretary of this State, within five days after the passing of the said act, the said act should be deemed and taken as part of the charter of said Company: And whereas it appears that such assent has been filed as aforesaid—THEREFORE

Resolved, That the assent filed by the said Company in the office of the Secretary of this State, on the eighth day of this present month of February, is, in form and substance, a full compliance, on the part of said Company, with the requirement of said act, in regard to their giving such assent, and that the assent so filed as aforesaid be accepted and received as such.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to erect a new Prison for this State,

Was taken up, and made the order of the day for to-morrow.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to incorporate the Elizabethtown and Somerville Rail-road Company," without amendment.

And also that Council had passed the following bills, viz.:

"An act to incorporate the West Jersey Rail-road and Transportation Company;" Also,

"An act to incorporate the Newark Mechanics' Association;" Also,

"An act to divorce Mary Jones from her husband, Abel Jones;" And also,

"An act to divorce Achsah Clutch from her husband, James Clutch."

To which bills they request the assent of the House of Assembly;

Whereupon, said bills were read and severally ordered to second readings.

Mr. A. Cruser offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary of this State, for the time being, be, and he is hereby directed to call upon the sheriffs of the several counties for a statement of the number of persons confined for debt in their several counties since the fourth day of July last, the amount for which they are or were confined, specifying the amount of debt and costs separately, the length of time they were in confinement, and the cost of their support to the county, likewise the number who are or have been on the limits; and that as soon as the above information is obtained, the Secretary is hereby authorised to cause the same to be published in one of the newspapers printed in Trenton; and the Treasurer is hereby authorised, upon a warrant drawn by the Governor for the sum necessary to defray the expenses incident to such inquiry, out of any funds in the treasury not appropriated.

Which was read and agreed to.

Mr. McIlvaine, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to authorise the erection of a bridge over the Delaware, at Tomlinson's ferry;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

The re-engrossed bill entitled "An act to authorise the sale of the real estate of Isaac Ogden, deceased,"

Was read as amended in Council, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Ewing,
	Barton,		Howey,
	Barrett,		Hull,
	Baldwin,		Ireland,
	Bennet,		Kline,
	Campion,		Lippincott,
	Clifford,		Marshall,
	W. Cruser,		Meeker,
	Deacon,		McChesney,
	Demarest,		McDowell,

Mess.	McIlvaine,	*Mess.*	Stratton,
	Ray,		Terhune,
	Schenck,		Van Riper,
	Shackelton,		Ward,
	Smith,		Wurts, speaker—30

NAYS.

Mess.	Black,	*Mess.*	Nelson,
	Davis,		Reeves,
	Ellis,		Stokes,
	Hancock,		Wilson—8

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendments made thereto, in Council, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The bill relative to the Map of New-Jersey,

Was taken up, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Ewing, with leave, presented a bill relative to the Delaware and Raritan Canal Company, and the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company;

Which was read and ordered to a second reading.

The bill to alter the western limits of the city of Trenton,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to shorten the navigation of Salem Creek, by cutting a canal,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the Perth Amboy Manufacturing Company,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill relative to the law establishing Medical Societies in New-Jersey,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and the same ordered to be engrossed for a third reading, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton,	*Mess.*	Ireland,
	Barrett,		Leaming,
	Campion,		Lippincott,
	Clifford,		Marshall,
	Deacon,		Monro,
	Ewing,		Nelson,
	Hancock,		Ray,
	Howey,		J. Randolph.

Mess.	Reeves,	*Mess.*	Summerill,
	Shackelton,		Terhune,
	Smith,		Van Riper,
	Stokes,		Wilson,
	Stratton.		Wurts, speaker—26

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	Messrs.	Kline,
	Baldwin,		Meeker,
	A. Cruser.		Merkel,
	W. Cruser.		McChesney,
	Davis,		McDowell,
	Demarest.		McIlvaine,
	Ellis,		L. Randolph,
	Hillard,		Schenck,
	Jackson.		Ward—18

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill entitled "An act to authorise William Potts and Richard Potts, executors of the last will and testament of Richard Potts, senior, deceased, to sell and convey real estate," and request the concurrence of the House of Assembly; whereupon, said bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill to authorise the sale of certain real estate of John Lyle, deceased,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill relative to the appointment of the clerk of the court of Chancery,

Was read a second time, and the first and only section of the same agreed to, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Armstrong,	Messrs.	Kline,
	Barton,		Marshall,
	Barrett.		Meeker,
	Bennet,		Merkel,
	Clifford,		McIlvaine.
	A. Cruser,		Monro,
	W. Cruser.		Nelson,
	Davis,		Ray,
	Deacon.		Schenck.
	Ellis,		Shackelton
	Ewing,		Stokes,
	Hillard,		Summerill,
	Hull,		Van Riper,
	Jackson,		Wilson,
	Ireland.		Wurts, speaker—30

NAYS.

Messrs. Baldwin,	Messrs. L. Randolph,
Campion,	J. Randolph,
Leaming,	Reeves,
Lippincott,	Smith,
McChesney,	Ward—11
McDowell,	

After which, said bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.
House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, February 10, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

The Speaker laid before the House the following communication from his excellency the Governor, covering certain resolutions from the statesof Vermont and Alabama :

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
February 10, 1831.

To the Honorable, the Speaker of the General Assembly :

SIR—I herewith transmit certain Resolutions lately received from the Legislatures of the States of Vermont and Alabama, which you will be pleased to communicate to the House over which you preside.

I am, Sir,
most respectfully,
Your obt. servt.
P. D. VROOM, Jr.

Which, and the documents accompanying the same, were read and referred to Messrs. Jackson, Ewing and Reeves.

Mr. Armstrong, with leave, presented a bill relative to the Woodbury Fire Association ;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. A. Cruser, with leave, presented a bill for the establishment of an Independent Regiment of Horse Artillery ;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. J. Randolph, from committee to whom was recommitted the bill to incorporate the East Jersey Rail-road Company, reported the same with amendments; whereupon said bill was read, and on motion the same was postponed.

Mr. Schenck, with leave, presented a bill relative to the New-Jersey Turnpike Company ;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank at Lambertsville,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton,	*Mess.*	Meeker,
	Bennet,		Merkel,
	Clifford,		McChesney,
	A. Cruser,		McIlvaine,
	W. Cruser,		Monro,
	Deacon,		L. Randolph,
	Demarest,		Schenck,
	Ellis,		Shackelton,
	Hancock,		Terhune,
	Hillard,		Van Riper,
	Howey,		Ward,
	Hull,		Wilson,
	Jackson,		Wurts, speaker—27
	Marshall,		

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Lippincott,
	Barrett,		McDowell,
	Baldwin,		Nelson,
	Campion,		Ray,
	Davis,		Reeves,
	Ewing,		Stokes,
	Ireland,		Stratton,
	Kline,		Summerill—17
	Leaming,		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to provide for the erection of a draw bridge across South river, in the county of Middlesex,"

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	Baldwin,
	Barton,		Bennet,

Mess.	Clifford,	*Mess.*	Meeker,
	A. Cruser,		Merkel,
	W. Cruser,		McChesney,
	Davis,		McDowell,
	Deacon,		McIlvaine,
	Demarest,		Monro,
	Ellis,		Ray,
	Ewing,		Reeves,
	Hillard,		Schenck,
	Howey,		Smith,
	Hull,		Stokes,
	Jackson,		Summerill,
	Ireland,		Wurts, speaker—30

NAYS.

Mess.	Barrett,	*Mess.*	L. Randolph,
	Campion,		J. Randolph,
	Hancock,		Shackelton,
	Kline,		Stratton,
	Leaming,		Terhune,
	Lippincott,		Van Riper,
	Marshall,		Ward,
	Nelson,		Wilson—16

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled an act to empower the Governor of this State to incorporate a company to cut a canal to shorten the navigation of Salem Creek, in the county of Salem, and State of New-Jersey," passed November 17, 1800,

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton,	*Mess.*	Meeker,
	Barrett,		Merkel,
	Baldwin,		McChesney,
	Bennet,		McDowell,
	Campion,		Monro,
	Clifford,		Nelson,
	A. Cruser,		Ray,
	Davis,		L. Randolph,
	Deacon,		J. Randolph,
	Demarest,		Reeves,
	Ewing,		Schenck,

Mess.	Ellis,	*Mess.*	Shackelton,
	Hancock,		Smith,
	Hillard,		Stokes,
	Howey,		Stratton,
	Hull,		Summerill,
	Jackson,		Terhune,
	Ireland,		Van Riper,
	Leaming,		Ward,
	Lippincott,		Wilson,
	Marshall,		Wurts, speaker—12

NAY.

Mr. W. Cruser—1

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry the same to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Perth Amboy Manufacturing Company,"

Was read a third time and compared, when, on motion, the same was ordered to be postponed.

The engrossed bill entitled " An act respecting the appointment of the Clerk of the Court of Chancery,"

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Armstrong,	Messrs.	Ireland,
	Barton,		Marshall,
	Barrett,		Meeker,
	Bennet,		Merkel,
	Clifford,		McIlvaine,
	A. Cruser,		Monro,
	W. Cruser,		Nelson,
	Davis,		Ray,
	Deacon,		Schenck,
	Demarest,		Shackelton,
	Ellis,		Stokes,
	Ewing,		Stratton,
	Hillard,		Summerill,
	Hull,		Wilson,
	Jackson,		Wurts, speaker—30

NAYS.

Mr.	Baldwin,	Mr.	Campion,

Mess.	Hancock,	*Mess.*	L. Randolph,
	Howey,		J. Randolph,
	Kline,		Reeves,
	Leaming,		Smith,
	Lippincott,		Terhune,
	McChesney,		Van Riper.
	McDowell,		Ward—16

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill for the erection of new State Prison being the order of the day,

Was again taken up for consideration, and while the same was under discussion, the

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Clifford, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill for the relief of the Union, Hand in Hand and Resolution Fire Companies of the city of Trenton;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. L. Randolph, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to repeal the act entitled "An act to secure and defend the public revenue arising from lands let or to be let for the planting of oysters by and under the authority of the State," passed the 20th February, 1830;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Ewing, with leave, presented a bill relative to expenses incurred in the apprehension of fugitives from justice, when, on motion, the same was ordered to be committed, and Messrs. Ewing, Marshall and Ellis were appointed the committee.

Mr. Kline, from committee, made the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the resolution directing them to inquire if any, and what alterations are necessary in the act abolishing imprisonment for debt in certain cases, ask leave to report—

That they had the said resolution under consideration, and are of opinion it would be inexpedient to make any alteration in said act at this time.

Which report was read and agreed to.

Mr. Hull, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill supplemental to the Militia Law;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Ordered, That leave be given to withdraw the papers in relation to the application of the witnesses in the case of Henry Miller, Esq. for relief.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to alter the western limits of the city of Trenton,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong,	*Mess.*	McIlvaine,
	Barton,		Nelson,
	Bennet,		J. Randolph,
	Clifford,		Reeves,
	A. Cruser,		Schenck,
	W. Cruser,		Shackelton,
	Davis,		Stokes,
	Demarest,		Stratton,
	Ellis,		Summerill,
	Howey,		Terhune,
	Jackson,		Van Riper,
	Kline,		Ward,
	Marshall,		Wilson,
	McDowell,		Wurts, speaker—28

NAYS.

Mess.	Barrett,	*Mess.*	Lippincott,
	Campion,		Meeker,
	Deacon,		Merkel,
	Ewing,		McChesney,
	Hancock,		Monro,
	Hull,		Ray,
	Ireland,		L. Randolph,
	Leaming,		Smith—16

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act relative to the Map of New-Jersey,"
Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,
Shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Armstrong,	Messrs.	Ellis,
	Barton,		Ewing,
	Baldwin,		Howey,
	Bennet,		Hull,
	Campion,		Jackson,
	Clifford,		Ireland,
	A. Cruser,		Kline,
	W. Cruser,		Leaming,
	Deacon,		Meeker,
	Demarest.		McChesney,

Messrs. Dowell,
McIlvaine,
L. Randolph,
J. Randolph,
Reeves,
Schenck,
Messrs. Smith,
Stokes,
Stratton,
Summerill,
Van Riper,
Wurts, speaker—32

NAYS.

Messrs. Barrett,
Davis,
Hancock,
Marshall,
Merkel,
Monro,
Messrs. Nelson,
Ray,
Shackelton,
Terhune,
Wilson—11

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The consideration of the bill to erect a new Prison for this State,

Was again resumed, and after some time spent in the discussion of the same, it was, on motion, postponed.

The bill to authorise the construction of a bridge over the Delaware, at Eight Mile Ferry,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill relative to the Delaware and Raritan Canal, and the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Companies,

Was read a second time, when Mr. W. Cruser moved, as an amendment, to strike out the words "a majority," in the 19th line of the first and only section of the bill, and to insert "The stockholders holding seven eights;"

Which amendment was agreed to, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong,
Barton,
Barrett,
Bennet,
Clifford,
A. Cruser,
W. Cruser,
Davis,
Demarest,
Ellis,
Ewing,
Hancock,
Hillard,
Hull,
Messrs. Jackson,
Ireland,
Leaming,
Marshall,
Meeker,
Merkel,
McDowell,
McChesney,
McIlvaine,
Monro,
Nelson,
Ray,
J. Randolph,
Reeves,

Messrs. Schenck	Messrs. Summerill
Shackelton	Terhune
Smith	Van Riper
Stratton	Wilson—36

NAYS.

Messrs. Campion	Messrs. L. Randolph
Deacon	Stokes
Howey	Ward
Kline	Wurts, speaker—9
Lippincott	

After which, said bill having been further amended, the same was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act to enable the owners of swamp or meadow ground to drain the same, and to repeal a law heretofore made for that purpose, passed 24th November, 1792, and for other purposes relating to fences," with sundry amendments.

To which they request the assent of the House of Assembly;

Whereupon, said amendments were read and agreed to, and said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to authorise the sale of certain real estate late of Samuel Lyle, deceased,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong	Messrs. Marshall
Barton	Meeker
Barrett	Merkel
Baldwin	McChesney
Campion	McDowel
Clifford	Ray
A. Cruser	L. Randolph
W. Cruser	J. Randolph
Deacon	Schenck
Demarest	Shackelton
Ellis	Smith
Ewing	Stratton
Howey	Summerill
Hull	Terhune
Jackson	Van Riper
Kline	Ward
Leaming	Wilson
Lippincott	Wurts, speaker—36

NAYS.

Messrs. Davis	Messrs. Monro
Hancock	Nelson
Hillard	Reeves—6

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill supplementary to the act relatiye to the incorporation of townships,

Was read a second time, when a motion to strike out the first section of said bill prevailed; after which, said bill was ordered to be dismissed.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

FRIDAY, February 11, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. Ireland presented a petition from sundry persons, inhabitants of Gloucester county, for a law further to protect clams and oysters;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Ireland, Nelson and Bennet.

Mr. McDowell, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to reduce the fees of courts in this State;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Baldwin, from committee, reported a bill supplementary to the act establishing the charter rights of the borough of Elizabeth;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, when, on motion, said bill was ordered to be recommitted; when, on motion, a bill on file, on the same subject, presented, with leave, by Mr. J. Randolph, was also committed to the same committee as above.

Mr. Meeker presented a remonstrance from the inhabitants of the township of Westfield, in Essex county, against the alteration, applied for, of the charter rights of the borough of Elizabeth;

Which was read and referred to the committee on that subject.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act relative to the Delaware and Raritan Canal, and the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Companies,"

Was taken up, and on motion it was

Ordered, That said bill be committed;

Whereupon, said bill was committed to Messrs. Ewing, Kline and Stokes.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate Medical Societies for the purpose of regulating the practice of Physic and Surgery in this state, passed the twenty-eighth day of January, 1830, and to revive an act entitled an act to incorporate the Medical Society of New-Jersey," passed the 15th day of February, 1816,

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question.

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton	*Mess.*	Monro
	Barrett		Nelson
	Bennet		Ray
	Black		J. Randolph
	Campion		Reeves
	Clifford		Shackelton
	Deacon		Smith
	Ewing		Stokes
	Hancock		Stratton
	Howey		Summerill
	Ireland		Terhune
	Leaming		Van Riper
	Lippincott		Wilson
	Marshall		Wurts, speaker—29
	McDowell		

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Jackson
	Baldwin		Kline
	A. Cruser		Meeker
	W. Cruser		Merkel
	Davis		McChesney
	Ellis		L. Randolph
	Hillard		Schenck
	Hull		Ward—16

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Taylorsville Delaware Bridge Company,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill relative to certain meadow in Oldman's Creek, in Gloucester county,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill relative to tide marsh on Assiscunk Creek, Burlington county,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill for more just representation of the county of Monmouth in the General Assembly,

Was read a second time, and the first and only section of the same disagreed to, and said bill ordered to be dismissed.

The tax bill having been read a second time, the same was considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Ellis, from the committee to whom was referred the application from inhabitants of Shrewsbury, for legislative aid in the planting and growing of oysters, reported that, in the opinion of the committee, it is inexpedient to act upon said application this present session;

Which was read and agreed to.

Mr. Ellis, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the owners of salt meadow and sedge on Manasquan river, for legislative aid in fencing the same, reported—

That, after having examined the petition and remonstrance, beg leave to report, that, in the opinion of your committee, it is inexpedient to act upon the the same this present session;

Which was read and agreed to.

Mr. Ewing, from the committee to whom was committed the engrossed bill entitled "An act relative to the Delaware and Raritan Canal, and the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Companies," reported the same with amendments;

Which amendments were read and agreed to.

After which, Mr. Kline offered an amendment, which provided that two hundred thousand dollars should be expended, yearly, on said Canal, until its completion, and that such expenditure should be certified to the Governor, and filed in the office of the Secretary of this State, under the oath or affirmation of the proper officers of said companies, and on failure, the previous charters of said companies, together with the supplemental and relative acts thereto, should be void;

Which was disagreed to, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton	*Mess.*	Nelson
	Barrett		Ray
	Baldwin		L. Randolph
	Bennet		J. Randolph
	Campion		Shackelton
	Clifford		Smith
	A. Cruser		Stokes
	Davis		Stratton
	Hancock		Van Riper
	Kline		Ward
	Lippincott		Wurts, speaker—22

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Leaming
	Black		Marshall
	W. Cruser		Merkel
	Deacon		McChesney
	Demarest		McDowell
	Ellis		Monro
	Ewing		Reeves
	Hillard		Schenck
	Howey		Summerill
	Hull		Terhune
	Jackson		Wilson—23
	Ireland		

After which, said bill was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. L. Randolph, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to compensate certain commissioners for surveying oyster lands;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

Mr. Jackson, from the committee to whom was referred the communication of his excellency the Governor, covering communications from the Legislatures of Vermont and Alabama, made the following report:

A majority of the committee to whom was referred certain resolutions of the Legislature of Alabama, in relation to their confidence in the present administration of the General Government, beg leave to report the following resolutions:

Resolved, By the Council and General Assembly of the State of New-Jersey, That we remember, with sentiments of gratitude, the distinguished services of General ANDREW JACKSON for his country, in the second struggle for the rights of liberty and independence—that we applaud the intelligence of the people who raised him to the highest office in the gift of a free nation—that, upon a fair and full view of his official conduct, since he has been President of the United States, we pronounce him to have equalled our best expectations, and to have administered the government in accordance with the true republican principles of the national constitution, the rights of the several States of the Union, and the liberties of the people.

The policy of the nation, we view at the present moment, as established upon a firm and safe basis—prosperous at home—respected abroad—our agriture is cherished—our manufactures protected—our commerce extending—our national debt is rapidly approaching towards extinguishment. We have nothing to hope, and every thing to fear, from a change of the present national administration. Our duty, our interest, our honor, and our affections are alike united in the re-election of our present chief magistrate.

Resolved, therefore, That we approve of the recommendations made by the republican members of the Legislatures of New-Hampshire, New-York, Pennsylvania, North Carolina, Alabama and Illinois, of General Andrew Jackson to fill the office of chief magistrate of the United States, for the next Presidential term.

Which were read, and ordered second readings, and the same ordered to be printed.

The joint resolution relative to certain arms loaned to Thomas E. Bowlsby, deceased,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act for the more easy sale of mortgaged premises,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton	*Mess.*	Lippincott
	Barrett		Meeker
	Baldwin		Merkel
	Bennet		McChesney
	Black		McDowell
	Campion		Monro
	A. Cruser		Nelson
	W. Cruser		Ray
	Davis		L. Randolph
	Deacon		J. Randolph
	Demarest		Reeves
	Ellis		Shackelton
	Ewing		Stokes
	Hancock		Stratton
	Hillard		Summerill
	Howey		Terhune
	Hull		Valentine
	Jackson		Van Riper
	Ireland		Ward
	Leaming		Wilson—40

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Schenck
	Kline		Wurts, speaker—5
	Marshall		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill to incorporate the "Newark and Morris Rail-road Company,"

Was taken up, and postponed to the next session of the Legislature.

The engrossed bill entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act relating to Hawkers, Pedlars, and Petty Chapmen," passed February 7th. 1830,

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton	*Mess.*	Mecker
	Barrett		Merkel
	Baldwin		McChesney
	Bennet		McDowell
	Black		Monro
	A. Cruser		Nelson
	W. Cruser		Ray
	Davis		L. Randolph
	Ellis		J. Randolph
	Ewing		Reeves
	Hillard		Schenck
	Howey		Shackelton
	Hull		Smith
	Jackson		Stratton
	Ireland		Summerill
	Kline		Valentine
	Leaming		Van Riper
	Lippincott		Wurts, speaker—37
	Marshall		

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Stokes
	Campion		Terhune
	Deacon		Ward
	Demarest		Wilson—9
	Hancock		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill relative to the New-Jersey Turnpike,

Was read a second time, and postponed.

The bill relative to the Fire Association of Woodbury,

Was read a second time, and postponed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed a bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Union Fire Engine Company of Mount Holly," to which the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

And that Council had also passed the bills from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act for the relief of John Salter," and "An act for the relief of Thompson Price," without amendment.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to incorporate the Union Fire Engine Company of Mount Holly,"

Was read and ordered a second reading.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to incorporate the West Jersey Railroad and Transportation Company,"

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to a third reading.

The bill to incorporate the East Jersey Rail-road Company,

Was taken up, and on motion the same was postponed.

Mr. Ward presented a remonstrance against said bill;

Which was ordered to lie on the table.

The House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

SATURDAY, February 12, 1831.

Ten o'clock, A. M. House met.

Mr. Ireland, from committee, reported a bill for the further protection of planted oysters;

Which was read and ordered to a second reading, and to be printed.

Mr. Barton, from the committee to whom was referred the petition of the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the county of Hunterdon, made the following report:

The committee to whom was referred a petition from the Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of the county of Hunterdon, praying for a law to authorise process for petit jurors returnable to the special terms of said court, respectfully report—

That they have considered the prayer of the petitioners aforesaid, and are of opinion that legislative interference in the matter is inexpedient;

Which was read and agreed to.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Perth Amboy Manufacturing Company,"

Having been read and compared, on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton	*Mess.*	Ireland
	Baldwin		Kline
	Bennet		Marshall
	Black		Meeker
	A. Cruser		Merkel
	W. Cruser		McDowell
	Demarest		Monro
	Ellis		L. Randolph
	Ewing		J. Randolph
	Hillard		Schenck
	Howey		Shackelton
	Hull		Smith
	Jackson		Summerill

Mess.	Terhune	*Mess.*	Ward
	Valentine		Wilson
	Van Riper		Wurts, speaker—32

NAYS.

Mess.	Barrett	*Mess.*	Lippincott
	Campion		Ray
	Deacon		Stokes
	Hancock		Stratton—9
	Leaming		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry the same to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to incorporate the West Jersey Rail-road and Transportation Company,"

Was read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Meeker
	Barton		McChesney
	Barrett		McDowell
	Baldwin		Nelson
	Bennet		Ray
	Black		L. Randolph
	Campion		J. Randolph
	W. Cruser		Reeves
	Deacon		Schenck
	Demarest		Smith
	Ellis		Stokes
	Ewing		Stratton
	Howey		Summerill
	Hull		Terhune
	Jackson		Van Riper
	Ireland		Wurts, speaker—33
	Lippincott		

NAYS.

Messrs.	Hancock	Messrs.	Monro
	Hillard		Shackelton
	Kline		Valentine
	Leaming		Ward
	Marshall		Wilson—11
	Merkel		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, without amendment.

Mr. Reeves, from the minority of the committee to whom was referred the message of his excellency the Governor, covering communications from the States of Vermont and Alabama, reported sundry resolutions;

Which were read and ordered to lie on the table;

And a motion to print the same was disagreed to, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Baldwin	*Mess.*	McDowell
	Black		L. Randolph
	Campion		J. Randolph
	Howey		Reeves
	Leaming		Smith
	Lippincott		Van Riper
	McChesney		Ward—14

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Kline
	Barton		Marshall
	Barrett		Meeker
	Bennet		Merkel
	A. Cruser		Monro
	W. Cruser		Nelson
	Deacon		Ray
	Demarest		Schenck
	Ellis		Shackelton
	Ewing		Stratton
	Hancock		Summerill
	Hillard		Terhune
	Hull		Valentine
	Jackson		Wilson
	Ireland		Wurts, speaker—30

The engrossed bill entitled "An act concerning a body of meadow on the easterly side of Oldman's Creek, in the county of Gloucester,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question.

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act relative to the Delaware and Raritan Canal, and the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,
Shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Merkel
	Barton		McChesney
	Bennet		McDowell
	Black		Monro
	Campion		Ray
	A. Cruser		J. Randolph
	W. Cruser		Reeves
	Deacon		Schenck
	Demarest		Shackelton
	Ellis		Smith
	Ewing		Stratton
	Hull		Summerill
	Jackson		Terhune
	Ireland		Van Riper
	Leaming		Ward
	Marshall		Wilson—32

NAYS.

Mess.	Barrett	*Mess.*	Meeker
	Baldwin		Nelson
	Hancock		L. Randolph
	Hillard		Stokes
	Howey		Valentine
	Kline		Wurts, speaker—13
	Lippincott		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to incorporate the Taylorsville Delaware Bridge Company," with an amendment; to which, the assent of the House of Assembly is requested;

Whereupon, said amendment was read and agreed to, and said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

Mr. Valentine presented a petition from Joseph Sutton, Jr. for a divorce;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table

Mr. Baldwin, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill to separate the townships of Westfield and Rahway from the jurisdiction of the borough of Elizabeth, in Essex county;

Which was read and ordered a second reading, and to be printed.

The engrossed bill entitled "A further supplement to an act entitled an act to enable the owners and possessors of meadows and tide marsh, lying on Assiscunk Creek, within the limits of the city of Burlington, to erect and maintain a bank, dam and other water works across the said Creek, in order to prevent the tide from overflowing the same, and to run a fence across a certain lane called Pudding Lane, in the city of Burlington," passed June 22d, 1782,

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Meeker
	Barton		Merkel
	Barrett		McChesney
	Baldwin		McDowell
	Bennet		Monro
	Black		Nelson
	Campion		Ray
	A. Cruser		L. Randolph
	W. Cruser		J. Randolph
	Deacon		Reeves
	Demarest		Schenck
	Ellis		Shackelton
	Ewing		Smith
	Howey		Stokes
	Hull		Stratton
	Jackson		Summerill
	Ireland		Terhune
	Kline		Van Riper
	Leaming		Ward
	Lippincott		Wurts, speaker—41
	Marshall		

NAYS.

Mess.	Davis	*Mess.*	Valentine
	Hancock		Wilson—4

Ordered. That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed joint resolution relative to certain arms loaned by the State to Thomas E. Bowlsby,

Was read a third time and compared, when the same was agreed to.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to raise the sum of forty thousand dollars for the year 1831,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question.

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong	Messrs. Marshall
Barton	Meeker
Baldwin	Merkel
Black	McChesney
Campion	McDowell
A. Cruser	Monro
W. Cruser	Nelson
Davis	Ray
Deacon	L. Randolph
Demarest	J. Randolph
Ellis	Reeves
Ewing	Schenck
Hancock	Smith
Howey	Stokes
Hull	Stratton
Jackson	Summerill
Ireland	Terhune
Kline	Van Riper
Leaming	Wilson
Lippincott	Wurts, speaker—40

NAYS.

Messrs. Barrett	Messrs. Valentine
Bennet	Ward—5
Shackelton	

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry the same to Council, and request their concurrence.

The re-engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Taylorsville Delaware Bridge Company,"

Was read as amended in Council, and on the question,
Shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Merkel
	Barton		McChesney
	Baldwin		McDowell
	Bennet		McIlvaine
	Black		Monro
	Campion		Nelson
	A. Cruser		Ray
	W. Cruser		L. Randolph
	Deacon		J. Randolph
	Demarest		Reeves
	Ellis		Schenck
	Hancock		Shackelton
	Howey		Smith
	Hull		Stokes
	Jackson		Summerill
	Ireland		Terhune
	Kline		Van Riper
	Leaming		Ward
	Lippincott		Wilson
	Marshall		Wurts, speaker—41
	Meeker		

NAYS.

Mess.	Barrett	*Mess.*	Stratton
	Davis		Valentine—4

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendments made thereto, in Council, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The supplement to the act incorporating the New-Jersey Turnpike Company,

Was taken up, when Mr. Schenck presented a petition from the President of said Company, with other documents, which were read; after which, said bill was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, low lands and swamps adjoining Miry Run, in the counties of Burlington and Middlesex, to clear the same, within the limits therein mentioned," having been read a second time, the same was considered by section, and ordered a third reading.

The bill relative to regulating the measure for lime, to be used at Lime Kilns,

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill supplemental to the act relative to the settlement of the poor,

Was read a second time, when the first section of the same was disagreed to, and said bill ordered to be dismissed.

The bill relative to Sutlers,

Was read a second time, when the first section of the same was disagreed to, and said bill ordered to be dismissed.

The bill to reduce the taxable costs in the Court of Chancery, on the foreclosure of mortgages,

Was read a second time, and postponed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the following bills, viz.:

"An act to prohibit the circulating or passing of tickets;" And

"A supplement to an act entitled an act erecting the town of Bordentown. in the county of Burlington, into a borough:"

To which they request the assent of the House of Assembly:

Whereupon, said bills were read and ordered to second readings.

The House adjourned to Monday morning, 10 o'clock.

MONDAY, February 14, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. Ewing, from the committee to whom was committed the bill on the subject of certain expenses incurred in the apprehension of fugitives from justice, reported the same, with amendments;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

The re-engrossed bill entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act to enable the owners of swamp or meadow ground to drain the same, and to repeal a law heretofore made for that purpose, passed 24th November, A. D. 1792, and for other purposes relating to fences,

Was read as amended in Council, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House have agreed to the amendment made in Council thereto, and have caused bill to be re-engrossed.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, low lands and swamps adjoining Miry Run, in the counties of Burlington and Middlesex, to clear the same, within the limits therein mentioned,"

Was read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, unanimously.

The following bills, on a second reading, were severally called up, and postponed to the next session of the Legislature, viz. :

"An act to enable the owners and possessors of the meadows, low lands and swamps adjoining the Great Ditch, to clear the same ;"

"An act for the relief of Lydia Russell ;"

"A supplement to the act concerning roads ;"

"An act respecting the bridge over the Raritan river, at New-Brunswick, and for other purposes."

The bill relative to "The Salem and Philadelphia Manufacturing Company,"

Was read a second time, gone through with by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The joint resolution from Council, relative to the Census,

Was read a third time, and agreed to.

The bill from Council entitled "An act respecting Elections,"

Was read a second time, and ordered a third reading.

The bill relative to the Paterson Fire Association,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill for the relief of Robert Lee,

Was read a second time, and the first and only section of the same disagreed to, and said bill ordered to be dismissed.

Mr. Jackson presented a memorial from the inspectors and principal keeper of the State Prison, relative to the state of the prison ;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill te erect a new county from parts of the county of Gloucester, to be called Atlantic,

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to incorporate the Newark Mechanics' Association,"

Was read a second time, and postponed.

Mr. Armstrong, from the committee to whom was referred sundry communications from various States, transmitted to the House by his excellency the Governor, reported the following preamble and joint resolution :

The committee to whom was referred the resolutions from the States of Louisiana, Delaware, Ohio, and Kentucky, communicated by his excellency the Governor, on the constitutionality and expediency of the existing Tariff Laws, beg leave, respectfully, to report—

That they have had the same under consideration, and have bestowed, upon the subject, all the deliberation which its importance demands. They perceive no cause to dissent from the construction which the Congress have uniformly given to the Constitution of the United States, in relation to this subject ; and they rejoice to find, in the opinion of our venerable and respected President, so decidedly expressed, his perfect accordance with such construction, and with the views and opinions of this State, so often expressed, and particularly in their resolution of the 4th March, 1828. Your committee, therefore, submit the following resolution :

Resolved, By the Council and General Assembly of this State, That we

fully concur with the opinion expressed in the resolutions of the States of Louisiana, Delaware, Ohio and Kentucky, that the present Tariff Laws of the United States are in accordance with the spirit of the Constitution of the United States, and that the same ought to be maintained for the protection of the industry of our own citizens, against the policy and legislation of foreign governments.

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

Three o'clock P. M. House met.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act respecting Elections."
Was read a third time, and on the question,
Shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton	*Mess.*	McChesney
	Barrett		McDowell
	Baldwin		McIlvaine
	Bennet		Monro
	A. Cruser		Nelson
	Davis		Ray
	Deacon		L. Randolph
	Demarest		Reeves
	Ewing		Shackelton
	Hancock		Smith
	Howey		Stratton
	Hull		Terhune
	Jackson		Valentine
	Ireland		Van Riper
	Marshall		Wilson
	Meeker		Wurts, speaker—32

NAYS.

Messrs.	Black	Mr.	Hillard—3
	Campion		

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to regulate the Bushel to be used at Lime Kilns for measuring lime in this State,"

Was read a third time, and compared, and on the question,
Shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton	*Mess.*	Ireland
	Bennet		Marshall
	Black		McChesney
	Campion		McDowell
	A. Cruser		McIlvaine
	Davis		Monro
	Deacon		Nelson
	Demarest		Ray
	Ellis		Reeves
	Hancock		Smith
	Hillard		Stratton
	Howey		Summerill
	Hull		Van Riper
	Jackson		Wurts, speaker—28

NAYS.

Mess.	Barrett	*Mess.*	J. Randolph
	Baldwin		Shackelton
	Ewing		Stokes
	Lippincott		Terhune
	Meeker		Valentine
	L. Randolph		Wilson—12

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry the same to Council, and request their concurrence.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the following bills from the House of Assembly, viz.:

"An act relative to the Map of New-Jersey;"

"An act to authorise Elizabeth Lyle, widow of Samuel Lyle, late of the county of Middlesex, to make sale of certain real estate;"

"An act to alter the western limits of the city of Trenton;" And

"An act to incorporate the Newark Mutual Aid Association;" Also,

"The joint resolution exempting the Paterson Bank from certain taxes," without amendment.

The resolutions reported by a majority of the committee, on the resolutions from the State of Alabama,

Were taken up, and read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The counter resolutions, reported by the minority of the same committee,
Were taken up, and the same disagreed to; when, on motion, it was
Ordered, That said resolutions be erased from the minutes of the House.
The engrossed bill entitled "A supplement to an act entitled an act to incorporate the New-Jersey Turnpike Company," passed 27th February, 1806,
Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,
Shall this bill pass?
It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong	Messrs. Merkel
Barton	McChesney
Baldwin	McDowell
Bennet	McIlvaine
Black	Monro
Campion	Nelson
A. Cruser	Ray
W. Cruser	L. Randolph
Deacon	J. Randolph
Demarest	Reeves
Ellis	Schenck
Ewing	Shackelton
Hillard	Smith
Howey	Stokes
Hull	Stratton
Jackson	Summerill
Ireland	Terhune
Kline	Valentine
Leaming	Van Riper
Lippincott	Ward
Marshall	Wilson
Meeker	Wurts, speaker—44

NAYS.

Messrs. Barrett	Mr. Hancock—3
Davis	

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.
Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.
Ordered, That the House do now proceed to make their nominations for joint meeting.
The House having made their nominations for joint meeting, lists of the same were compared, and a duplicate ordered to be sent to Council.
The bill to incorporate the East Jersey Rail-road Company,
Was called up, and postponed to the next session of the Legislature.
House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

TUESDAY, February 15, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. Smith presented a petition from certain persons in Newark, for a law relative to a certain trust held by Theodore Frelinghuysen and others;

Which was read and referred to Messrs. Smith, Demarest and Kline.

Mr. Kline, from the committee to whom was referred a resolution of the State of Connecticut, relative to amending the Constitution of the U. States, in relation to the election of President and Vice-President of the U. States, made the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the resolution of the State of Connecticut, relative to the Constitution of the United States, beg leave, respectfully, to report:

That they have had said resolution under consideration, and, upon examining the proceedings of the last year's session, your committee find that the then Legislature had the subject under consideration; your committee, therefore, think it unnecessary and inexpedient to express any opinion on the resolution at this time;

Which was read and agreed to.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the following bills from the House of Assembly, viz.:

"An act to provide for the building of a draw bridge across South river, in the county of Middlesex;"

"An act concerning a body of meadow on the easterly side of Oldman's Creek, in the county of Gloucester," without amendment;

Also, that Council had passed a bill entitled "A supplement to an act making provision for carrying into effect the act for the punishment of crimes," passed February 23, 1829:"

To which bill the assent of the House of Assembly is requested.

And also that Council had passed the two following bills from the House of Assembly, viz.:

"An act to incorporate a company to create water power at the city of Trenton and its vicinity, and for other purposes;" And

"A further supplement to an act entitled an act to empower the Governor of this State to incorporate a company to cut a canal to shorten the navigation of Salem Creek, in the county of Salem, in the State of New-Jersey," passed November 17, 1800, with sundry amendments; to which, the assent of the House of Assembly is requested;

Whereupon, said amendments were read and agreed to, and said bills ordered to be re-engrossed.

The supplement to the act for the punishment of crimes, (a bill from Council) mentioned in the preceding message,

Was read, and ordered a second reading; and the rule being dispensed with, said bill

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered a third reading.

Mr. A. Cruser offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Secretary of this State request the township committees of the several townships of the State to obtain, from the overseers of the poor in the several townships in their respective counties, a statement of the expense of supporting the paupers in their several townships, the number of said paupers, the manner in which they are supported, whether on a farm belonging to the township or county, or otherwise, and that the said township committees forward such information to the secretary aforesaid, who, on the receipt of such information, shall cause the same to be printed in one of the newspapers printed in each county, and that the Treasurer pay the expenses incident to such inquiry, upon a warrant drawn by the Governor for the same.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly is now ready to go into joint meeting.

The Council came into the Assembly room, and both Houses went into joint meeting.

The joint meeting having progressed in the business before them, adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M., when the House came to order, and adjourned to the same hour.

Three o'clock P. M.

Both Houses met in the Assembly room, and again went into joint meeting, and, after going through with their appointments, the joint meeting rose, and the House came to order.

Mr. Smith, from the committee on that subject, reported a bill appointing Trustees to a certain fund devised by Jabez Longworth, for the education of poor children in the township of Newark;

Which was read and ordered a second reading.

The engrossed joint resolution, nominating General Andrew Jackson for the next Presidency of the United States,

Was read a third time and compared, and agreed to, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Marshall
	Barton		Meeker
	Barrett		Merkel
	Bennet		McIlvaine
	Clifford		Monro
	A. Cruser		Nelson
	W. Cruser		Ray
	Deacon		Schenck
	Demarest		Shackelton
	Ewing		Stratton
	Hancock		Summerill
	Hillard		Terhune

Mess.	Hull	*Mess.*	Valentine
	Jackson		Wilson
	Ireland		Wurts, speaker—31
	Kline		

NAYS.

Mess.	Baldwin	*Mess.*	McDowell
	Black		L. Randolph
	Campion		J. Randolph
	Howey		Reeves
	Leaming		Smith
	Lippincott		Van Riper
	McChesney		Ward—14

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to erect a new county from parts of the county of Gloucester, to be called the county of Atlantic,"

Was read a third time and compared, when, on motion, the same was postponed to the next session of the Legislature.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act appointing commissioners to examine into the state of the Salem and Philadelphia Manufacturing Company,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	McDowell
	Barton		Monro
	Bennet		Nelson
	A. Cruser		Ray
	Davis		L. Randolph
	Demarest		J. Randolph
	Hancock		Reeves
	Howey		Schenck
	Hull		Smith
	Jackson		Stokes
	Ireland		Summerill
	Kline		Terhune
	Marshall		Van Riper
	Meeker		Ward
	McChesney		Wurts, speaker—30

NAYS.

Mr. Barrett	Mr. Black

Mess.	Campion	*Mess.*	Shackelton
	Clifford		Stratton
	Leaming		Valentine
	Lippincott		Wilson—11
	Merkel		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act relative to the Delaware and Raritan Canal, and the Camden and Amboy Rail-road and Transportation Company," without amendment.

The bill from Council, entitled "A supplement to an act making provision for carrying into effect the punishment of crimes," passed February 23, 1829.

Was read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows :

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	McChesney
	Barton		McDowell
	Bennet		Monro
	Black		Nelson
	Campion		Ray
	Clifford		L. Randolph
	A. Cruser		J. Randolph
	W. Cruser		Reeves
	Davis		Schenck
	Demarest		Shackelton
	Ewing		Smith
	Hancock		Stokes
	Howey		Stratton
	Hull		Summerill
	Jackson		Terhune
	Ireland		Valentine
	Kline		Van Riper
	Lippincott		Ward
	Marshall		Wilson
	Meeker		Wurts, speaker—41
	Merkel		

NAY.

Mr. Barrett

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill, without amendment.

The engrossed bill entitled "A supplement to an act entitled an act to prevent horse racing, and for other purposes,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton	*Mess.*	Merkel
	Bennet		McChesney
	Campion		McDowell
	Clifford		McIlvaine
	A. Cruser		Shackelton
	Davis		Summerill
	Ellis		Wilson
	Howey		Wurts, speaker—17
	Hull		

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Monro
	Barrett		Nelson
	Baldwin		Ray
	W. Cruser		L. Randolph
	Deacon		J. Randolph
	Demarest		Reeves
	Ewing		Schenck
	Hancock		Smith
	Jackson		Stokes
	Ireland		Stratton
	Kline		Terhune
	Leaming		Valentine
	Lippincott		Van Riper
	Meeker		Ward—28

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the New-Jersey Atlantic Rail-road Company,"

Was taken up, and postponed to the next session of the Legislature.

The joint resolution relative to the Tariff,

Was read a second time, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The resolution relative to the paupers of the several townships in this state,

Was taken up, and disagreed to.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to divorce Mary Jones from her husband, Abel Jones,"

Was read a second time, considered by section, and ordered a third reading.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the joint resolution, exempting the heirs of

Thomas E. Bowlsby from their liability for certain arms destroyed by fire, without amendment;

And that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act for the more easy sale of mortgaged premises," with an amendment.

To which, the assent of the House is requested.

And that Council had passed a bill entitled "An act relative to common schools;"

Whereupon, said bill was read and ordered a second reading.

The amendment made in Council to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act for the more easy sale of mortgaged premises,"

Was read and agreed to, and said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to divorce Achsah Clutch from her husband, James Clutch,"

Was read a second time, and the first and only section of the same disagreed to.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have disagreed to said bill.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to authorise William Potts and Richard Potts, executors of last will and testament of Richard Potts, senior, deceased, to sell and convey real estate,"

Was read a second time, when, on motion, the same was ordered to be postponed.

House adjourned to 10 o'clock to-morrow morning.

WEDNESDAY, February 16, 1831.

Ten o'clock A. M. House met.

Mr. Armstrong, from the joint committee on printing the laws and law reports, made the following report:

The committee appointed, jointly with a committee from Council, to receive proposals for the current printing of the two Houses, the laws and law reports, beg leave to report the following resolution:

Resolved, By the Council and General Assembly, That Joseph Justice, of Trenton, be appointed to print the laws of this session of the Legislature, and law reports, to contain, at least, 1800 m's in small pica type, 1650 copies on the best paper that can be procured at $3 50 per ream, for thirty-two dollars per sheet of 16 pages.

Which was read and agreed to.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House have agreed to said report.

Mr. Armstrong offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Joseph Sailor, of Woodbury, be appointed to print the votes and proceedings of this House this session of the Legislature, to contain 1600 m's per page, small pica type, thirteen hundred copies, on the best paper that can be procured at $3 50 per ream, for $25 per sheet of 16 pages;

Which was read, when an amendment was offered, which was to substitute the name of Grant Fitch in the place of Joseph Sailer;

Which amendment was agreed to, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton	*Mess.*	Meeker
	Barrett		Merkel
	Baldwin		McIlvaine
	Bennet		Monro
	Clifford		J. Randolph
	A. Cruser		Schenck
	W. Cruser		Shackelton
	Davis		Smith
	Demarest		Stratton
	Ellis		Summerill
	Ewing		Terhune
	Hancock		Valentine
	Hull		Van Riper
	Jackson		Ward
	Kline		Wilson
	Marshall		Wurts, speaker—32

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	McChesney
	Black		McDowell
	Campion		Nelson
	Howey		Ray
	Ireland		L. Randolph
	Leaming		Reeves
	Lippincott		Stokes—14

After which, said resolution was agreed to.

Mr. Kline, from committee, reported a bill to defray incidental charges;

Which was read, and the rule being dispensed with, said bill was further progressed in, when, on motion, the same was postponed.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had disagreed to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to repeal an act entitled an act to incorporate Medical Societies for the purpose of regulating the practice of Physic and Surgery in this State, passed 28th January, 1830, and to revive an act entitled an act to incorporate the Medical Society of N. Jersey," passed 15th February, 1816;"

Also, that Council had passed a bill entitled "A supplement to the act for the better organization of the Cavalry of this State,"

And request the concurrence of the House of Assembly;

Which bill was read and ordered to a second reading.

Mr. Black offered the following joint resolution:

Resolved, By the Council and General Assembly, That the inspectors of the State Prison, for the time being, be, and they are hereby authorised to

make such repairs as they shall deem expedient, so as to make separate cells or apartments for the reception and confinement of not less than one hundred convicts; and when completed, they shall cause all the accounts, in relation thereto, to be accurately kept and stated, and shall, from time to time, deliver copies thereof, with the vouchers, to the Treasurer of this State, by whom the same shall be audited and stated, and the same shall be laid before the Governor, who shall, thereupon, draw his order on the Treasurer for the payment or cost of the same.

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill to provide for a new Prison for this State,

Was taken up, and the discussion of the same occupied the House until the usual hour for adjourning, when a motion to postpone the further consideration of the subject to the next session of the Legislature, was agreed to, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barrett	*Mess.*	Meeker
	Baldwin		Merkel
	Bennet		McChesney
	Campion		McDowell
	A. Cruser		L. Randolph
	W. Cruser		J. Randolph
	Deacon		Schenck
	Demarest		Shackelton
	Ellis		Smith
	Hillard		Stokes
	Ireland		Terhune
	Kline		Van Riper
	Leaming		Ward
	Marshall		Wilson—28

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Lippincott
	Barton		McIlvaine
	Black		Monro
	Clifford		Ray
	Davis		Reeves
	Ewing		Stratton
	Hancock		Summerill
	Howey		Valentine
	Jackson		Wurts, speaker—18

House adjourned to 3 o'clock, P. M.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the following bills from the House of Assembly, viz.:

"An act to incorporate the Perth Amboy Manufacturing Company," and a supplement to the act entitled "An act to incorporate the New-Jersey Turnpike Company," passed 27th February, 1806, without amendment.

Also, that Council had passed a joint resolution relative to the employment of Lt. William Cook as an Engineer on the Camden and Amboy Rail-road;

And a joint resolution relative to the distribution of the Minutes of the New-Jersey Convention of 1776;

To which, the concurrence of the House of Assembly is requested;

Whereupon, said resolutions were read, and the rule being dispensed with, they were read a second and third time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to said resolutions, without amendment.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed a joint resolution relative to the care and preservation of the State House and Yard, and request the assent of the House of Assembly;

And that Council had also passed the joint resolution from the House of Assembly, relative to the nomination of General Andrew Jackson for President of the United States, without amendment.

The joint resolution from Council, relative to the care of the State House and Yard,

Was read, and the rule being dispensed with, it was read a second and third time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to said resolution, without amendment.

Ordered, That leave be given to withdraw the papers in relation to the application of Joseph Sutton for a divorce.

Ordered, That leave be given to withdraw the papers in relation to the application for a canal to connect Barnagat Bay with Manasquan river.

Mr. Schenck, from the committee to whom was referred the subject of equalizing taxes, made the following report:

The committee to whom were referred sundry memorials praying for an alteration in the laws directing the mode of laying taxes, beg leave to report—

That the subject embraced in the memorials are, in their nature, highly interesting and important to the community at large. It cannot be denied that the present system of taxation is unequal. The great proportion of the taxes imposed, annually, for the necessary purposes of government are paid by those engaged in the pursuit of agriculture. Those whose property consists of money and personal securities, pay comparatively nothing. The committee are unable to perceive any just reason for this difference. The monied interests of the community receive, at the hands of government, a full and ample protection: the interests of agriculture receive no more. In

that respect, all kinds of property are placed upon an equality. From this equality, naturally results a correspondent equality of duties. Benefits and burthens should be reciprocal, and more especially so in a republican government. If a preference is to be given to any one class of society, it should be to those who earn a subsistance from the soil—they constitute the most effective portion of the community in peace and in war: but they ask no special exemption—they only seek to be placed on the same footing with others: and your committee are of opinion that this request is reasonable.

But while the committee believe that the petitioners are entitled to relief, they deem it inexpedient that the Legislature should act on the matter during the present session. In all affairs of great public concernment, and especially when new principles of policy are to be introduced, legislation should be deliberate and cautious;—the sentiments of the people should be consulted and expressed, and such a course adopted as would best comport with the feelings and interests of the whole community, and lead to a result at once beneficial and permanent.

Believing that the claims of the petitioners will be made more manifest, by a general investigation of them before the public, and that a more full discussion of the subject will conduce to the public good, the committee respectfully pray that they may be discharged from the further consideration of the said memorials.

Which was read and agreed to.

The bill to defray incidental charges,

Was taken up, and gone through with by item, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The engrossed bill entitled a further supplement to the act entitled "An act to incorporate the Paterson Fire Association," passed November 3, 1821,

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton	McDowell
	Baldwin	McIlvaine
	Bennet	Monro
	Black	Nelson
	Campion	Ray
	A. Cruser	L. Randolph
	W. Cruser	J. Randolph
	Deacon	Reeves
	Demarest	Schenck
	Ellis	Shackelton
	Howey	Smith
	Hull	Stokes
	Jackson	Summerill
	Leaming	Terhune
	Meeker	Van Riper
	Merkel	Ward
	McChesney	Wurts, speaker—35

NAYS.

Mess.	Barrett	*Mess.*	Marshall
	Clifford		Valentine
	Davis		Wilson—7
	Hancock		

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed joint resolution relative to the present Tariff of the United States,

Was read a third time, and agreed to.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk carry the same to Council, and request their concurrence.

The re-engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate a company to create water power at the city of Trenton and its vicinity, and for other purposes,"

Was read as amended in Council, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Lippincott
	Barton		Marshall
	Barrett		Meeker
	Baldwin		Merkel
	Bennet		McChesney
	Black		McIlvaine
	Campion		Monro
	Clifford		Nelson
	A. Cruser		Ray
	W. Cruser		J. Randolph
	Deacon		Reeves
	Demarest		Schenck
	Ellis		Smith
	Ewing		Stokes
	Hancock		Stratton
	Howey		Terhune
	Jackson		Ward
	Kline		Wurts, speaker—37
	Leaming		

NAYS.

Mess.	Davis	*Mess.*	Valentine
	Hull		Wilson—5
	Shackelton		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House have agreed to the amendment made in Council thereto, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to divorce Mary Jones from her husband, Abel Jones,'

Was read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the negative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barrett	*Mess.*	Leaming
	Bennet		Lippincott
	Clifford		Merkel
	A. Cruser		Nelson
	Deacon		Reeves
	Ellis		Stratton
	Ewing		Summerill—15
	Howey		

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Monro
	Barton		L. Randolph
	Baldwin		J. Randolph
	Campion		Schenck
	Davis		Shackelton
	Demarest		Stokes
	Jackson		Terhune
	Kline		Valentine
	Meeker		Ward
	McChesney		Wilson
	McDowell		Wurts, speaker—23
	McIlvaine		

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed a joint resolution, authorising the sale of certain lands in the neighborhood of Paterson, belonging to the State.

And request the assent of the House of Assembly:

And also that Council had passed the bill from the House of Assembly, without amendment, viz.:

"An act to authorise commissioners to examine into the state of the Salem and Philadelphia Manufacturing Company."

The joint resolution from Council, relative to the State lands at Paterson,

Was read, and the rule being dispensed with, said resolution

Was read second and third time, and disagreed to.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have disagreed to said resolution.

The re-engrossed bill entitled "An act for the more easy sale of mortgaged premises,"

Was read as amended in Council, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Barton	*Mess.*	McChesney
	Barrett		McDowell
	Baldwin		Nelson
	Bennet		Ray
	Black		L. Randolph
	Clifford		J. Randolph
	A. Cruser		Reeves
	Deacon		Smith
	Ellis		Stokes
	Ewing		Stratton
	Hancock		Summerill
	Howey		Terhune
	Jackson		Valentine
	Leaming		Van Riper
	Lippincott		Ward
	Merkel		Wilson—32

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Meeker
	W. Cruser		McIlvaine
	Davis		Schenck
	Hull		Shackelton
	Kline		Wurts, speaker—11
	Marshall		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House have agreed to the amendment made thereto, in Council, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The bill for the establishment of an Independent Regiment of Artillery:

And

The bill for the relief of the Fire Companies of Trenton:

And

The bill to repeal the law to secure and defend the public revenue arising from oyster lands:

And

The bill relative to the Toll Bridge at New-Brunswick;
And
The Supplement to the Militia Law;
And
The bill for the relief of certain commissioners for surveying oyster lands;
And
The bill to reduce the fees of Courts in this State,
Were severally taken up, and postponed to the next session.

The bill relative to the Woodbury Fire Association,

Was read a second time, and by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill relative to fugitives from justice,

Was read a second time, and first section disagreed to, and leave given to withdraw said bill.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had disagreed to the bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "An act to incorporate the Farmers' and Mechanics' Bank at Lambertsville; And

That Council had passed the following bills from the House of Assembly, viz.:

"A further supplement to an act entitled an act to enable the owners and possessors of meadows and tide marsh lying on Assiscunk Creek, within the limits of the city of Burlington, to erect and maintain a bank, dam and other water works across the said Creek, in order to prevent the tide from overflowing the same, and to run a fence across a certain lane called Pudding Lane, in the city of Burlington," passed June 22, 1782; Also,

"An act to raise the sum of $40,000 for the year 1831," without amendment; And

That Council had also passed a bill from the House of Assembly, entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act relating to Hawkers, Pedlars, and Petty Chapmen," passed February 27, 1830, with an amendment;

To which, the assent of Council is requested;

Whereupon, said amendment was read and agreed to, and said bill ordered to be re-engrossed.

Ordered, That when this House adjourns, they do adjourn to meet at 7 o'clock this evening.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had disagreed to the resolution reported by the joint committee on the subject of printing the laws and law reports, sent from the House of Assembly

Ordered, That the report mentioned in the preceding message be recommitted.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that said report has been recommitted.

The bill to incorporate the Union Fire Company of Mount Holly,

Was read a second time, and ordered a third reading.

The re-engrossed bill entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act to empower the Governor of this State to incorporate a company to cut a canal

to shorten the navigation of Salem Creek, in the county of Salem, and State of New-Jersey, passed November 17, 1800,

Was read as amended in Council, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	McChesney
	Barton		McDowell
	Barrett		McIlvaine
	Baldwin		Nelson
	Black		Ray
	Campion		L. Randolph
	A. Cruser		J. Randolph
	Deacon		Reeves
	Demarest		Schenck
	Ellis		Smith
	Ewing		Stokes
	Hancock		Stratton
	Howey		Summerill
	Hull		Terhune
	Jackson		Valentine
	Leaming		Van Riper
	Lippincott		Ward
	Meeker		Wilson
	Merkel		Wurts, speaker—35

NAYS.

Mess.	Clifford	*Mess.*	Marshall
	W. Cruser		Shackelton—4

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House have agreed to the amendments made thereto, in Council, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to defray incidental charges,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, unanimously.

Ordered, That leave be given to withdraw the papers in the case of Mary Jones.

The bill relative to common schools,

Was taken up, when the House adjourned to 7 o'clock this evening.

Seven o'clock P. M. House met.

Ordered, That the vote disagreeing to the first section of the bill relative to fugitives from justice, be reconsidered, and that said bill be reinstated;

Whereupon, said bill was considered by section, and ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to incorporate the Union Fire Company of Mount Holly,"

Was read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

The re-engrossed bill entitled "A supplement to the act entitled an act relating to Hawkers, Pedlars, and Petty Chapmen," passed February 27, 1830.

Was read as amended in Council, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Barton	Messrs.	Lippincott
	Barrett		Marshall
	Bennet		Meeker
	Black		Merkel
	Campion		McChesney
	A. Cruser		McDowell
	Deacon		McIlvaine
	Ellis		Nelson
	Ewing		Ray
	Howey		Reeves
	Hull		Schenck
	Jackson		Stratton
	Ireland		Summerill
	Kline		Valentine
	Leaming		Wurts, speaker—30

NAYS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Shackelton
	Baldwin		Smith
	W. Cruser		Terhune
	Davis		Van Riper
	Demarest		Ward
	Hancock		Wilson—13
	J. Randolph		

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have agreed to the amendment made thereto, in Council, and have caused said bill to be re-engrossed.

Ordered, That leave be given to withdraw the papers in the applications of Sarah Rose, Edwin Jackson, and Mary Camp.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to incorporate the Woodbury Fire Association," passed December 25, 1826,

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Merkel
	Barton		Mc'hesney
	Baldwin		McDowell
	Bennet		McIlvaine
	Black		Nelson
	Campion		Ray
	A. Cruser		J. Randolph
	W. Cruser		Reeves
	Deacon		Schenck
	Demarest		Shackelton
	Ewing		Stratton
	Howey		Summerill
	Hull		Terhune
	Jackson		Valentine
	Ireland		Van Riper
	Kline		Ward
	Lippincott		Wilson
	Marshall		Wurts, speaker—37
	Meeker		

NAYS.

Messrs.	Barrett	Mr. Smith—3
	Hancock	

Ordered, That the speaker sign said bill.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The engrossed bill entitled "An act to provide for the payment of certain expenses incurred in the apprehension of fugitives from justice,"

Was read a third time and compared, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Barrett
	Barton		Baldwin

Mess.	Bennet	*Mess.*	Meeker
	Black		Merkel
	Campion		McIlvaine
	A. Cruser		Nelson
	W. Cruser		Ray
	Davis		J. Randolph
	Deacon		Reeves
	Ellis		Schenck
	Ewing		Stratton
	Howey		Summerill
	Hull		Terhune
	Jackson		Valentine
	Ireland		Van Riper
	Lippincott		Wurts, speaker—33
	Marshall		

NAYS.

Mess.	Demarest	*Mess.*	Smith
	Hancock		Ward
	McDowell		Wilson—7
	Shackelton		

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk carry said bill to Council, and request their concurrence.

The bill from Council entitled "An act to establish Common Schools,"

Was read a second time, considered by section, and the question of ordering said bill to a third reading, was decided by Yeas and Nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mess.	Armstrong	*Mess.*	Marshall
	Barrett		McChesney
	Black		McIlvaine
	Campion		Nelson
	Davis		Ray
	Deacon		J. Randolph
	Demarest		Reeves
	Ellis		Stokes
	Ewing		Stratton
	Hancock		Summerill
	Howey		Terhune
	Jackson		Valentine
	Ireland		Van Riper
	Lippincott		Wilson—28

NAYS.

Mess.	Barton	*Mess.*	Merkel
	Baldwin		McDowell
	Bennet		Schenck
	A. Cruser		Shackelton
	W. Cruser		Smith
	Hull		Ward
	Kline		Wurts, speaker—15
	Meeker		

Whereupon, said bill was read a third time, and the rule being dispensed with, said bill was put on its final passage, and passed as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs.	Armstrong	Messrs.	McChesney
	Barrett		McIlvaine
	Black		Nelson
	Campion		Ray
	Davis		J. Randolph
	Deacon		Reeves
	Demarest		Smith
	Ellis		Stokes
	Ewing		Stratton
	Hancock		Summerill
	Howey		Terhune
	Jackson		Valentine
	Ireland		Van Riper
	Lippincott		Wilson—29
	Marshall		

NAYS.

Messrs.	Barton	Messrs.	Meeker
	Baldwin		Merkel
	Bennet		McDowell
	A. Cruser		Schenck
	W. Cruser		Shackelton
	Hull		Ward
	Kline		Wurts, speaker—14

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

Mr. Armstrong, from the joint committee to whom was recommitted the report on printing the laws and law reports, reported the same without amendment;

Which was read and ordered to lie on the table.

The bill from Council, entitled "An act to prohibit the circulating or passing of Tickets;

Was read second time, considered by section, and ordered a third reading by Yeas and Nays as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong	Messrs. Merkel
Barton	McChesney
Black	McDowell
A. Cruser	McIlvaine
Davis	Ray
Deacon	L. Randolph
Demarest	Reeves
Hancock	Schenck
Howey	Smith
Hull	Stokes
Ireland	Summerill
Lippincott	Terhune
Marshall	Wurts, speaker—26

NAYS.

Messrs. Bennet	Messrs. Meeker
Campion	Nelson
W. Cruser	J. Randolph
Ellis	Shackelton
Ewing	Ward
Hancock	Wilson—13
Jackson	

So said bill was read a third time, and passed the House as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Armstrong	Messrs. McChesney
Barton	McDowell
Black	McIlvaine
A. Cruser	Ray
Davis	L. Randolph
Deacon	Reeves
Demarest	Schenck
Hancock	Smith
Howey	Stokes
Hull	Summerill
Ireland	Terhune
Lippincott	Valentine
Marshall	Wurts, speaker—27
Merkel	

NAYS.

Messrs. Barrett	Messrs. Jackson
Baldwin	Meeker
Bennet	Nelson
Campion	J. Randolph
W. Cruser	Shackelton
Ellis	Ward
Ewing	Wilson—15
Hancock	

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed said bill without amendment.

House adjourned to 7 o'clock to-morrow morning.

THURSDAY, February 17, 1831.

Seven o'clock A. M. House met.

The bill from Council, a supplement to the act erecting the town of Bordentown into a borough,

Was read a second time, and the rule being dispensed with, said bill was read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, unanimously.

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House of Assembly have passed the same without amendment.

The following bills were severally taken up, and postponed to the next session of the Legislature, viz.:

A bill relative to the charter rights of the borough of Elizabeth;

And

The bill to appoint Trustees to a bequest of Jabez Longworth;

And

A bill to incorporate the Mechanics' Association of Newark;

And

A bill relative to the Estate of Richard Potts, senior, deceased.

The report of the joint committee relative to printing the laws and law reports,

Was taken up, when the following was offered by Mr. McChesney as an amendment, in place of the resolution appended to the report:

Resolved, By the Council and General Assembly of this State, That Joseph Justice be employed to print the laws of the present session, at $32 per sheet, and George Sherman to print the law reports, at $30 per sheet, said laws and law reports to be printed on the large octavo page heretofore used;

Which amendment was agreed to, by Yeas and Nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Baldwin	Messrs. Ray
Black	L. Randolph
Campion	J. Randolph
A. Cruser	Reeves
Demarest	Smith
Hancock	Stokes
Howey	Stratton
Jackson	Terhune
Leaming	Van Riper
Lippincott	Ward
McChesney	Wilson
McDowell	Wurts, speaker—25
Nelson	

NAYS.

Messrs. Armstrong	Messrs. Ellis
Barton	Ireland
Barrett	Marshall
Clifford	Merkel
W. Cruser	McIlvaine
Davis	Summerill—13
Deacon	

After which, said resolution was ordered to be engrossed for a third reading.

Mr. Meeker, from the committee to whom was referred the subject of a draw bridge over the Creek at Elizabethtown, made the following report:

The committee to whom was referred the petition of sundry inhabitants of Elizabethtown, for a draw bridge across Elizabethtown Creek, beg leave to report—

That the petitioners have leave to report a bill at the next session of the Legislature, agreeably to their petition:

Which was read and agreed to.

The bill from Council, entitled a "A supplement to the act for the better organization of the Cavalry of this State,"

Was read second time, and rule being dispensed with, said bill was read a third time, and on the question,

Shall this bill pass?

It was decided in the affirmative, as follows:

YEAS.

Messrs. Barton	Messrs. Clifford
Baldwin	A. Cruser
Black	W. Cruser
Campion	Davis

Messrs. Deacon	Messrs. McDowell
Demarest	McIlvaine
Ellis	Nelson
Hancock	Ray
Hull	L. Randolph
Jackson	J. Randolph
Ireland	Smith
Kline	Terhune
Marshall	Van Riper
Mecker	Ward
Merkel	Wilson
McChesney	Wurts, speaker—32

NAY.

Mr. Bennet

Ordered, That the speaker sign the same.

Ordered, That the clerk inform Council that the House have passed said bill without amendment.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the following bills from the House of Assembly, without amendment.

"An act to defray Incidental Charges;"

"A supplement to the act entitled an act to incorporate the Woodbury Fire Association," passed December 25, 1826;

"A further supplement to an act entitled an act to incorporate the Paterson Fire Association," passed November 3, 1821; And

"An act to authorise the payment of certain expenses incurred in the apprehension of fugitives from Justice."

The engrossed joint resolution relative to printing the laws and law reports, Was read a third time and compared, and the same agreed to.

A message from Council, by Mr. Westcott, their secretary, informed the House that Council had passed the joint resolution from the House of Assembly, relative to the printing the laws and law reports, without amendment.

Mr. Black offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the thanks of this House be tendered to the Hon. Alexander Wurts, for the very able, dignified, and impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of Speaker during the present session;

Which was read and agreed to by the House, unanimously;

Whereupon, the Speaker rose and addressed the House as follows:

GENTLEMEN—The resolution which has just received the sanction of the House, demands my most respectful acknowledgments. I beg leave to return you my thanks for the kind notice you have taken of the manner in which the duties of the Chair have been performed.

Having been called a second time, by the favor of the House, to preside over its deliberations, nothing can afford me higher gratification than the assurance that no cause has been given to regret the confidence reposed in me. Next to an approving conscience, the representative can enjoy no higher satisfaction than that flowing from the approbation of his constituents. Upon the same principle, an occupant of this chair, if not better qualified for the station than myself, will be relieved from much doubt and anxiety of mind, at the close of a session, by a resolution like that which you have just adopted.

Conscious of my own deficiencies, and relying much on the forebearance of the House, I accepted this honorable station, determined, faithfully and impartially, to discharge its duties to the best of my ability, under the hope, that my efforts, if not crowned with success, would, at least, have the merit of deserving it. My confidence in the indulgence of the House has met the most ample return. The duties of the presiding officer of a deliberative assembly are arduous, and involve great responsibility. I take, however, great pleasure in saying that they have been rendered light and pleasant during the past session, as well by the generous indulgence of the House, as by their respect for order, and attention to business.

I beg leave, at this time, to advert to the harmony and decorum which have marked our deliberations, as just matter of congratulation. Conflicting political feelings have exercised no sinister influence upon grave questions of legislation—a happy illustration that neither the people of New-Jersey or their representatives will permit party preferences to influence subjects, foreign to their legitimate object. With this principle strictly adhered to, our free institutions become purified and strengthened by political parties. I refer to the transactions of the past session as evidence that, with the present representatives, an honest discharge of the trust reposed in them, by the people, has been the only object in view;—in effecting which, differences of opinion have necessarily existed, upon the several matters of legislation. We were sent here to compare opinions, and, from the comparison, to draw a just conclusion. This difference of opinion has, during our past session, been main

ined and expressed with that firmness and independence which become atriots and freemen, and, at the same time, with all the urbanity and forearance which characterize gentlemen.

To our constituents, we cheerfully submit the result of our labors, taking redit to ourselves for purity of intention, and indulging the hope that their nterests will be found to have been promoted. In conclusion, gentlemen, llow me to say, that our annual elections, (which may be considered as the reserving feature of the American Constitution) combined with our private avo_ ations, render it almost certain that we shall not all meet again on this floor. s we are about to separate, therefore, the feelings and sympathies which ave been excited, by mutual intercourse for several weeks past, in pursuit of a ommon object, will hereafter exist only as matter of delightful recollection.

I tender you, individually, sincere wishes for your health and happiness.

Ordered, That the address of the Hon. Speaker be published, and entered t length on the minutes of the House.

After which, the House adjourned *sine die*.

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